

The Bethel Citizen

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Sunday's Sunny Sunrise Service



GATHERED AT THE MOUNTAIN TOP—More than 100 celebrants gathered early Sunday morning to celebrate Easter at the top of Sun-

day River Skiway's Barker Mountain. The service was led by the Rev. Don Coverdale.

(Photo by Michael Daniels)

Act now for Homestead Exemption

New law reduces taxable valuation of primary residence by \$7,000, but you must file by May 15

By ALISON ALOISIO

Area towns are scrambling to get the word out to homeowners: act now to get your homestead exemption and reduce your 1998 property tax.

The exemption provides property tax relief by reducing the assessed value of homes by \$7,000, adjusted by the municipal assessing ratio. It became law on April 1.

Tax revenue lost by towns as a result of the exemption will be reimbursed from the state's General Fund.

In order for homeowners to get the exemption, they must file a form with the Town Office by May 15 (see page 2) and meet three qualifications: legal residency in

Maine as of April 1; homestead ownership for a minimum of a year prior to April 1; permanent residency in that homestead.

The Maine Revenue Service will not mail the applications to homeowners -- leaving the responsibility for connecting people with applications to the individual towns.

Savings town by town

In Bethel, applications were mailed out Wednesday, April 15 -- just in time to brighten the lives of late-filing income taxpayers.

"If we've missed anyone, we'll have applications available here (at the Town Office) for them to pick up," said Town Clerk Christen Mason.

The exemption will not affect tax bills that were due this week. It will take effect with the fall bill, Mason said.

The program reduces the tax bill when it is sent to the taxpayer. If the current mill rate holds, Mason said, individual taxpayers should save about \$102. "We've had a lot of people calling about it," she said.

In Woodstock, Town Manager Vern Maxfield expects to mail out applications the end of this week. Savings are expected to be about \$90 on bills that go out in August.

Woodstock selectmen will be available to help people with the

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School directors find some new savings

By ALISON ALOISIO

Late in the school budget process, SAD44 has found ways to save itself close to \$50,000 -- \$35,000 of which will go toward reducing the 1998 local tax commitment.

Other savings may be on the way for future budgets.

For next school year, SAD44 will receive about \$35,000 more than expected in state aid funds, thanks to late action by the Legislature.

See SCHOOL SAVINGS, page 5

Federal judge wants all contract details released to bingo-hall opponents

Criticizes bureaucrats' stonewalling on Freedom of Information request

By MICHAEL DANIELS

It wasn't the big court victory they are hoping for, but it was still a victory for the cause -- and a personal vindication for attorney Jeff Rosenblatt.

A federal magistrate in Portland is recommending that the U.S. Department of the Interior turn over to Rosenblatt a complete and uncensored copy of the contract between the Passamaquoddy Indian Tribe and the New York developer financing the tribe's plan for a high-stakes bingo hall in Albany Township.

The recommendation was issued Monday by U.S. Magistrate Judge David M. Cohen. It is the result of motion for summary judgment filed by Rosenblatt in a Freedom of Information lawsuit against the Inter-

ior Department's Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The BIA must approve and keep copies of all contracts between Indian tribes and private individuals or business entities. Those contracts and the paperwork supporting them are considered -- except in certain narrowly defined areas -- to be public information, thus available to anyone who requests a copy.

Rosenblatt began asking in June 1997 to see any documents related to the loan agreement between the Passamaquoddy and the bingo hall developer, Snake River Financing, Ltd.

But, as Cohen writes in his 18-page decision, instead of getting the documents, Rosenblatt got a classic

See RULING, page 5

Jobs problem stalls start of treatment plant work

State refuses to release grant money

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The employment vacuum in the Bethel Station pipeline has plugged up the works, for the moment at least, on Bethel's sewage treatment plant upgrade.

State economic development officials are unwilling to swallow the town's reasons why they should commit further funds to projects here, so they are refusing to cough up \$200,000 the town was planning to put toward the upgrade.

Town voters have twice approved the upgrade work, most recently at a special Town Meeting last month when they approved spending up to \$2,356,170 on the project.

But \$200,000 of the financial package they authorized was slated to come from a federal Community Development Block Grant -- a grant which is now being withheld by state officials due to the failure of the Bethel Station project to generate new jobs.

The Bethel selectmen, town manager Phil Tarr and special assistant Don Murphy have been meeting

repeatedly over the past month to try to resolve the situation.

And they hope to meet next week with Thomas McBrierty, commissioner of the state Department of Economic and Community Development to convince him to release the federal money.

If they are unsuccessful, town officials face returning to voters once again to approve yet another funding package for the sewage plant work.

The town would also face further delays in obtaining nearly \$1 million that has already been spent on roads and water work in Bethel Station and on Paradise Street, and it could lose the services of the contractor who was awarded the sewage plant work.

All the funds involved are part of the complex, multi-million dollar package of federal, state, local and private financing that paid for infrastructure improvements associated with -- but not limited to -- the

See GRANT, page 5

Neighbors raise environmental, aesthetic concerns over widening of CMP corridor

By ALISON ALOISIO

In response to questions raised last week by Woodstock's Cushman Hill Road residents, Central Maine Power will take a closer look at its plan to run a new transmission line near the road.

The line would, among other things, ensure a more stable supply of power to Western Maine, according to CMP.

A public meeting held last Thursday regarding the plan was attended by about three dozen abutters and neighbors of the proposed line. The 33-mile-long line would run through seven towns between Rumford and Harrison, including Greenwood and Woodstock.

Most of the questions at the two-hour session came from residents of Cushman Hill Road.

They were worried about the aesthetic and environmental impact of the 115KV transmission line, which would run parallel to an existing line. The new line would

'How long are promises good for?'

JUDY BENNETT
Transmission line abutter

carry power from a proposed new gas-fired generation plant in Rumford, scheduled to go online in 2000.

Although the power would go to the New England Power Pool grid, it could also provide a more reliable source of electricity for Western Maine. Because this area is in the far corner of the overall power system, CMP officials said, customers in the region are all more likely to be affected any time a line goes down. The new line could help sta-

bilize the situation.

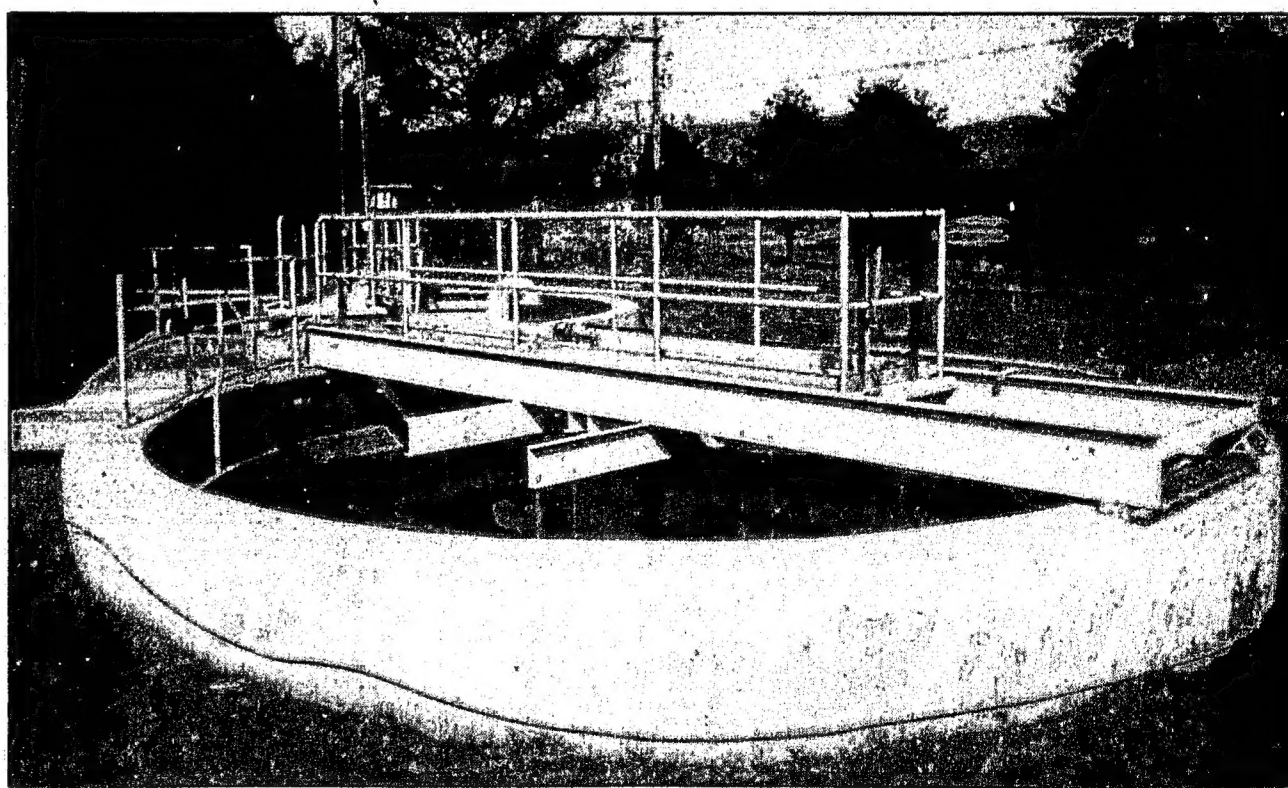
The new transmission towers, however, would be 10 feet higher than the existing ones, and would require CMP's current rights of way be widened by an additional 75 to 100 feet.

That was a concern to Den Corrin, who owns 200 acres near the line. He's currently building a "getaway" on Cushman Hill, overlooking the White Mountains. Although the existing line runs below his site, it is hidden by the trees. Corrin worries the taller towers won't be hidden.

He's also worried about the impact of tree-cutting on a waterfall and a spot where several streams flow together near the line. "It's a nice spot -- a sacred spot," Corrin told CMP representatives.

Twenty-year resident Marcel Polak was also concerned how cutting for the line would affect a trout stream going through his property.

See POWER LINE, page 4



PROJECT ON HOLD—As part of the planned upgrade of the Bethel Sewage Treatment Plant, these clarifiers would be closed in with domed structures to prevent water from freezing in the winter. Work on the plant was scheduled to have begun last month, but the clarifier covers, and all other aspects of the treatment plant upgrade, are currently on indefinite hold as town officials attempt to resolve funding problems.

(Photo by Alison Aloisio)

Greenwood Recreation Field Spring Clean-up

This Saturday from 9 AM - Noon
Please come and show your support!

May 1943

Count Fleet Wins Kentucky Derby

Jockeys Cheer with a couple of short beers at The Millbrook Tavern
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Attention Bethel Residents

Nomination papers for the following positions are still available:

Selectmen - Two positions each for a three year term
Assessors - Two positions each for a three year term

School Board Director - Two positions each for a three year term
You may pick up your nomination papers at the town office. They must be returned no later than 5 pm on April 24, 1998

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and Preb's Pharmacy

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U.S. General Services Administration

The 29th Annual Awards Dinner of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce
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Special Guest Speaker: Leslie B. Otten
\$25 per person, full buffet dinner

6:00 Social in Gibson Room

R.S.V.P. 824-2282
No later than April 27

7:00 Dinner in Main Dining Room

Letters

CONSISTENT AND REMARKABLE

To the Editor:

Throughout the past year residents and friends of Albany Township have been not only consistent but remarkable in their organized opposition to the proposed gambling site on the West Bethel Road in Albany. Because of their perseverance and their willingness to actively participate in the political process, the future expansion of additional land in Albany Township for high-stakes bingo was halted.

Albany residents were outstanding in their efforts to educate their legislators. Many of them, at their own expense, repeatedly went to Augusta for hearings and others flooded their representatives with correspondence.

"Buzzy" Lapham deserves special credit for her tireless efforts to educate both the Democrats and the Republicans in Augusta as well as the Office of the Governor. Buzzy became a familiar face at hearings. From her home in Albany she contacted key members of both parties with her concerns about gambling in Albany Township. She attended a meeting with Gov. King and later received a handwritten note from him. People like Buzzy Lapham are what Albany is all about.

I want to thank all those who have made such a difference in fighting gambling in Albany Township. I certainly am grateful for the efforts of Margaret Wille and Jeff Rosenblatt, two attorneys whose pro bono work has been invaluable.

As residents we must continue to stay informed on the issues. If we are not part of the process, we have no right to complain.

Dorothy J. Duddy
Albany Township

I'M INNOCENT!

To the Editor:

For those of you who dared to ask -- you know! Those who haven't, I was not the pilot that flew on the ground -- that particular day. Most pilots desire the need for speed. I'm sure that other pilot has learned a valuable lesson and will keep it safe, forthcoming.

Dan Bilodeau
Bryant Pond

QUILT RAFFLE THANKS

To the Editor:

It is my pleasure, on behalf of the 1998 Telstar Project Graduation Committee, to express thanks and appreciation to everyone involved in our recent Schoolhouse Quilt Raffle. The money raised will be used to provide Telstar seniors with a chemical free, safe and fun graduation night activity.

Pam Morgan of Hanover (and aunt of Telstar senior Vanessa Morgan) won the quilt. Congratulations, Pam. May this quilt bring you many years of warmth and comfort.

The tremendous success of this fundraiser was due to the efforts of many people from every generation and from every town in SAD44. It would be impossible to name everyone who participated in this activity; not only would names be missed, but the list would take up a good deal of space in the paper.

So, to those who bought or sold tickets, provided a place to sell tickets at local businesses or at organization meetings or events, sold tickets at out-of-town events and at town meetings, and to those who did countless other needed tasks to make this quilt raffle successful, the 1998 Telstar Project Graduation Committee says "thank you," from the bottom of our hearts.

Whatever everyone did to make the Schoolhouse Quilt Raffle successful, they are responsible for helping to keep Telstar's 1998 seniors safe on graduation night. No amount of thanks will ever be enough for that.

Gayle Russell
and the 1998 Telstar Project Graduation Committee

LEUKEMIA AUCTION THANKS

To the Editor:

We are writing to thank all the local businesses and individuals that donated the merchandise, services, or gift certificates that were auctioned off at the Sunday River Brewing Company on Wednesday, April 8, in an auction to raise funds for the Leukemia Society.

We also extend our thanks to those of you who came out to the auction to purchase these donations. Many of the items were generously bid up over their estimated value.

A special thank you goes to Doug Alford, who graciously donated his services as auctioneer and musician, even performing, occasionally, while astride a motorcycle on stage.

Lastly, we are especially grateful to the Sunday River Brewing Company for inviting us to have the auction there, for donating items to the auction, and for generously donating half the proceeds of its sales of Sunday River Ales from every Wednesday through the month of April.

The auction raised just over \$1,700 and brought us to about the three-quarter mark in fulfilling the pledge we made to raise \$10,500 for the Leukemia Society of America. As part of our pledge, we will also run in the Midnight Sun Marathon in Anchorage, Alaska, this June, an event the Leukemia Society has adopted to help raise both public awareness and funds for research into a cure for this dreadful cancer.

Brie Weisman, Suzanne Newsom and Jon Starr

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Application for Homestead Exemption

(See reverse for instructions)

Section 1

Check all that apply.

	Yes	No
A. I was a legal resident of the State of Maine on April 1, 1998	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B. I have owned a homestead in Maine for a minimum of 12 months prior to April 1 of this year.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. I declare that homestead is my permanent place of residence.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

IF YOU HAVE NOT ANSWERED YES TO ALL QUESTIONS, STOP HERE

You must meet all three of these requirements to qualify for a homestead exemption under the terms of the homestead exemption statute.

Section 2

1. Name of Property Owner(s) (name on your tax bill): _____

2. Homestead Property: (physical location) Municipality: _____
Street Address: _____ Telephone No: _____

3. Mailing Address: (if different from the above) _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Section 3

MY CLAIM OF RESIDENCY IN THE MUNICIPALITY, ON LINE 2 ABOVE, IS BASED ON ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:

	Yes	No
• I am a registered voter in the municipality.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• I pay Motor Vehicle Excise tax in the municipality.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• The place of legal residence on my resident fishing and/or hunting license is the same as the above homestead address.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• The address on my driver's license is the same as the above address.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• I have not applied for homestead exemption in any other place. (Summer camps, vacation homes & 2d residences do not qualify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you answer no to any question please explain on separate sheet.

I (we) hereby declare, aware of penalties for perjury, that the answers to the above are, to the best of my/our knowledge and belief, true, correct and complete. A person who knowingly files false information for the purposes of obtaining a homestead exemption is guilty of a Class E crime.

Signature of Homestead Owner(s): _____ Date: _____
_____ Date: _____

COMPLETED FORM MUST BE FILED WITH YOUR LOCAL ASSESSOR BY MAY 15, 1998

AT LAST, A TAX FORM YOU'LL WANT TO FILL OUT--The Homestead Exemption form -- the ticket to property tax savings for Maine residents/homeowners -- has been mailed out by some towns, and is also available in town offices. Instructions and a letter of explanation are on the reverse side. The form must be returned to towns by May 15 in order to realize savings on 1998 tax bills.

THANKS FOR COMPREHENSIVE-PLAN INPUT

To the Editor:

We thank the many citizens who participated in the forums on the Draft Comprehensive Plan on March 31 and April 7. Those were long evenings with many aspects of the plan discussed.

We appreciate the views and insights brought to the meeting and the persistence and patience of those who attended. The process has helped to strengthen the plan.

A revised draft reflecting the contributions of the forums will be available at the Town Office and the Library by April 16.

A public hearing on the plan is scheduled for May 19. This will be the last opportunity for public comment before the plan is voted on at the Town Meeting, June 10.

Ken Bohr
For the Bethel Comprehensive Plan Committee

Bond Gimmick Stiffs Voters

By MIKE BROWN

Gov. Angus King has said repeatedly -- no more gimmicks in state government.

Well, gimmicks abound with the people's money in the King Administration, especially in the trillion dollar-plus state bonding whirlpool. And legislators are apparently going along with the tide and ride.

Maine citizens have been served well with a bond practice over the past several years called the "90-percent policy." That is, new bond debt for any year is limited to 90 percent of the debt retired in the previous year. Obviously, that policy has created an incremental lowering of bond indebtedness to about \$500 million.

Maine now has the lowest bond debt in New England and it has been steadily declining under the 90-percent policy. The state's general obligation bond debt in 1970 was 6.6 percent of average personal income. Today it's 1.8 percent or about \$500 per capita. Connecticut's is \$3,000 and the U.S. average is \$662.

Maine's new state treasurer, Dale McCormick, wants to junk the 90-percent policy for a flexible floating debt ceiling of 8 percent. That is, the annual debt service on general obligation bonds could go no higher than 8 percent of total highway and general fund revenues. She would also double the term of bond issues from the current 10 years to 20 years. By doing this she says, "We could borrow approximately \$40 million more in the first year alone."

And alone McCormick was with her proposed new expanded bond policy by increasing debt and millions more in new interest. Nobody in the fiscal apparatus of the bureaucracy boarded McCormick's hot-air bond balloon. And in a letter to the state treasurer, the appropriation committee chairs, Sen. Mike Michaud (D-East Millinocket) and Rep. George Kerr (D-Old Orchard Beach) said in effect that her policy was financially dumb.

Now comes the uninformed Bangor Daily News with another in its running series of mindless editorials trying to convince the public and legislators to dump the 90-percent policy, sign aboard McCormick's Titanic and obligate the taxpayers to hundreds of millions in expanded debt. The BDN should get a life or at least a new editorial writer who can read a tax statement.

Gov. King shuffled another of his gimmick card decks under the table last year with his bill (LD 1759) which the Legislature converted into Chapter 523 law. This financial gimmickry changed the Maine Court Facilities Authority into the now Maine Governmental Facilities Authority. These authorities are numerous and are obligated to billions in debt. However, most do not create any liability on behalf of the state because the authority is repaid by the bond money recipient.

For instance, in 1997 the Maine Municipal Bond Bank's outstanding bonds totaled \$807,585,000 to cities, towns, school districts and quasi-municipal corporations. And the Maine Housing Authority's outstanding bonds were \$1,106,000,000.

When the new Maine Governmental Facilities Authority was created last year, it had about \$20 million in debt on a borrowing ceiling limit of \$25 million. That limit was incredibly increased over the past year by the Legislature and governor to create a borrowing vehicle of \$138 million with no apparent revenue stream to pay off the bonds. That debt discharge would then become the obligation of an annual appropriation from the state's general fund.

What this bonding gimmick does is to provide a vehicle to circumvent a state referendum vote on bonds by issuing through the MGFA. The governor and legislators love it because they do not have to put their names to an escalating bond-borrowing package to public deliberation and vote. Just deal the bonds off the bottom of the deck.

The MGFA deal will probably be used to finance millions in pet political projects that didn't make it on the appropriations table before it ran out of pet political projects money.

It will be interesting to see how the national bond raters handle Maine's newest gimmick. When the Democrats installed State Treasurer Dale McCormick and raters took a look at other financial obligations, one, Moody's Investment Services, lowered Maine's bond rating from an AA2 to an AA3 taking into account Moody's new indexing and Maine's previous AA+ rating. The King Administration denied the downgrade but it was confirmed by former Assistant State Treasurer Maurice Stickney and former State Treasurer Sam Shapiro.

Maine folks should be aware that while its political stewards play gimmickry money games in Augusta, and the state's mainstream media ignore it, outsiders do not. One of the nation's leading raters of state rankings announces an annual "Most Livable State Award." It takes into account 43 negative and positive factors.

For 1998, Maine ranked 26th on the list, dropping down 10 places from 1997 -- the largest negative change of all 50 states.

(Veteran newsman and columnist Mike Brown writes regularly on the Augusta political scene. His views are his own and do not necessarily reflect those of The Citizen.)

OUR BACK PAGES

Compiled by POLLY DAVIS

10 years ago: The Western Area Agency on Aging planned to open a community dining center in Andover to be run in cooperation with the Andover First Congregational Church at the church facility.

Sunday River Ski Resort announced plans for two new projects to be completed for the 1988-89 ski season: Locke Mountain Townhouses and White Cap Village.

Industrial Garnet Extractives, Inc. (I.G.E.), a mineral processing company, of West Paris announced it would cease operations in the area.

Joe Bailey opened his new body shop in a newly erected garage on Vernon Street, Bethel.

The Newry Board of Selectmen approved plans for the town's first fire station.

Deaths: Anna Jarvenpaa, Lucien Frechette, Nina Kimball.

20 years ago: Steve Morrill, a senior at Telstar Regional High School, was designated a President's Scholar by the Committee on Admission at St. Lawrence University, Canton, N.Y.

The Eastern Star Club sponsored a Wee Women's Fashion Show at Bethel Savings Bank, with the following young models: Alison Davis, Amy Hannon, Jeannine Conant, Shelly Rice, Sheila Douglass, Rebecca Brown, Lorena Conant, April Jordan, Deborah Wheeler, Amy Blake, Julie Newton, Mary Beth Hannon, Sherri Dooen, Rachel Rayne and Andrea Gilbert.

The door prize was a crock pot donated by Western Auto and the winner was Diane Kanten of West Bethel.

The appointment of Eugene Kelly as a 36-week SAD44 bus driver was approved by the Board of Directors.

Susan Vogt of Bethel and Sherry Akers of Andover were awarded varsity letters in cross-country at Bates College.

The Bethel Board of Selectmen signed appointment forms for Robert Saunders as Water District trustee and Joyce Stearns as constable.

Deaths: M. Parker Allen, Arthur Curtis.

30 years ago: The Honorable Margaret Joy Tibbets, U.S. Ambassador to Norway was one of five distinguished citizens to be a recipient of an honorary doctor of laws degree at Bates College at the school's commencement in June.

The three seniors attaining highest academic averages at Gould Academy were: Ruth Tebbets, valedictorian; Cynthia Chapin, salutatorian; Ellen Kennett, third honors.

The Red Rooster Dining Room on Route 2, was closed until further notice (this building was located beside the present residence of Don Baker, which is owned by Gloria Wilson, and was moved to Swan's Corner at a later date).

Birth: Darren Dyke.

Deaths: Walter Merrill, Ella Jordan, Dorothy Kirkpatrick.

40 years ago: Ralph Burris bought the IGA store in Kingfield.

Myron Bryant, Gard Brown and Ernest Blake were on a fishing trip in Doaktown, N.B., Canada.

Roderick McMillin was elected Bethel Fire Chief, succeeding Addison Saunders who had served after the resignation of Robert Blake, former chief.

50 years ago: Gertrude Penner, Lois Ann Van Den Kerkhoven and Donald Lord were attending the New England Music Festival in South Portland.

The dance pupils of Miss Gladys Gilman presented a dance recital in the music room of the Primary School (now Adult Learning Center): Dorothy Ann Kimball, Carol Keoskie, Susan Saunders, Bonnie Whitman, Pamela Young, Camelia Whitman, Betty Lou York, Caroline Chadbourne, Richard Gilman, Henrietta Swain, Howard Donahue, Margery Rowe, Sheila Nary, Patricia Kittredge, Eleanor Sumner, Dawne Christie, Barbara Reynolds, Adelle Kimball, Phyllis Chadbourne, Rachel Brown and Barbara Jodrey.

Marriage: Elaine Vail and Robert Dutil.

100 years ago: Chubs were being caught in many Bethel streams.

The streets were reported to be drying up fast.

Metal sheathing was being placed on the interior walls of Gould Academy.

Deaths: Hulda Bunker, Amaretta Bean Rowe, Mary S. Morrill.

Correction

Jeep Jamboree sponsor: An article on the Jeep Jamboree in last week's Citizen should have said the event is sponsored by Jeep Jamboree USA.

Withdrawal peti

ANDOVER--A petition asking whether to begin the withdrawal selectmen Tuesday. The number of selectmen Wendy Green 40 were needed to comply with withdrawal issue will likely be Green. If two-thirds of those fund a withdrawal study that Andover students. A secret ballot would be scheduled for a late study, said Green. "We'll be can drum up." Many Andover SAD44 School Board decision Elementary School.

Meeting to follo

HANOVER--A special Town April or early May to consider plant proposed to be built off day moratorium on building the approval process for the by Fulghum Fibres Inc., to supply mill in Rumford. Some concerned about noise and truck First selectman Bruce Powell ning Board member, the code pected to tour a Fulghum chi

Andover goes t

ANDOVER--Beginning Monday services (fire, police and medical change will be made using 900-cribing the change has been a major milestone for the Andover old answering machine which the incoming emergency call all calls will be answered by Sheriff's Office) who will be Andover Fire and Rescue and or dispatched. For an indeterminate emergency number (392-4700) one is aware of the change.

Mead/AWD to c

ANDOVER--After more than a year, Mead Paper and the Andover a land sale. AWD will purchase a new 300,000-gallon in scheduled to begin operation

Towns conside

At least seven communities in rights ordinances, following a state's gay rights law. Ordinance Brunswick, Camden, Falmouth Portland is the only municipality ordinance. Some supporters of ordinances out of fear of alien Maine, Bethel Albany and New

Maine fourth in

AUGUSTA--For every two last year, there were three more Allied Van Lines. Maine ranked 1997, trailing only Georgia, 1 has released its list of so-called having a minimum of 55 percent into the state. An "outbound" relocations moving out-of-state bound state for 1997, with New

Don't burn if yo

AUGUSTA--Debris fires that thirds of 30 wildfires reported the Maine Forest Service record debris, they look for a A better alternative, he said, them picked up by the town. be charged \$10,000 for the cost held civilly liable for hundreds people's property.

Waiting in line f

PARK CITY, Utah--Realtors the first to reserve a spot in the opment. He was one of nearly p.m. last Wednesday. America to 500 feet from its new green square-foot units is nearly \$3 allowed to make a single res people were hired by real-estate dred dollars to hire people to

Court gives PN

PORTLAND--A United States Portland Natural Gas Transmission Central Maine Power Company Chief Judge D. Brock Hornb in CMP-owned electrical transmission parts of the pipeline plan, especially natural gas and electrical line Monday the company was "can negotiate a settlement rate

"Speak Out" is

NORWAY--The Rape Educ "Speak Out" event April 19 an event allows past and present out about their experience in music, read poetry, speak, information call 207-743-9777

Gambling a fact

WASHINGTON, D.C.--New responded to a recent survey had contributed to their poverty three months by the International man for the group said the pre the 1990s has added a new city begun to appear at inner-city 18 percent said gambling was percent said gambling or lotto Eighty-five percent said they point in their lives, and 37 percent responses from 1,102 people

Briefly

Withdrawal petition presented

ANDOVER--A petition asking for a special Town Meeting to vote on whether to begin the withdrawal process from SAD44 was presented to selectmen Tuesday. The number of signatures has not been counted yet, but selectman Wendy Green said there are "plenty." An estimated 30 to 40 were needed to comply with state law. A meeting to consider the withdrawal issue will likely be scheduled for late May, according to Green. If two-thirds of those present vote in the affirmative, the town will fund a withdrawal study that will lead to an alternative plan for educating Andover students. A secret-ballot vote on whether to actually withdraw would be scheduled for a later date. If the Town Meeting vote favors the study, said Green, "We'll be looking for the best educational system we can drum up." Many Andover parents have been unhappy with a recent SAD44 School Board decision to reduce staffing at the Andover Elementary School.

Meeting to follow chip plant tour

HANOVER--A special Town Meeting will likely be scheduled in late April or early May to consider two petitions regarding a wood chipping plant proposed to be built off Route 2. The petitions each ask for a 180-day moratorium on building or development, and are designed to slow the approval process for the plant. The plant would be built and operated by Fulghum Fibres Inc., to supply wood chips for the Mead paper company mill in Rumford. Some Hanover residents are particularly concerned about noise and truck traffic that would be generated by the plant. First selectman Bruce Powell said five people -- two selectmen, a Planning Board member, the code enforcement officer and a citizen -- are expected to tour a Fulghum chipping plant in Georgia next week.

Andover goes to 911

ANDOVER--Beginning Monday, April 20, all requests for emergency services (fire, police and medical) from the Andover 392 telephone exchange will be made using 911. A letter from Fire Chief Ken Dixon describing the change has been sent to residents. Said Dixon, "This is a major milestone for the Andover Fire Department to break away from the old answering machine which automatically initiated tones and broadcast the incoming emergency call to the responders. With the advent of 911, all calls will be answered by a live dispatcher (at the Oxford County Sheriff's Office) who will be able to obtain any additional information." Andover Fire and Rescue and/or a Sheriff's unit would then be toned out or dispatched. For an indeterminate time, said Dixon, calls to the old emergency number (392-4700) will be fast forwarded to 911 until everyone is aware of the change.

Mead/AWD to complete land deal

ANDOVER--After more than a year of negotiations, representatives of Mead Paper and the Andover Water District will meet Friday to complete a land sale. AWD will purchase a two-acre parcel from Mead for the district's new 300,000-gallon in-ground reservoir. The water system is scheduled to begin operation late this year.

Towns consider gay rights ordinances

At least seven communities in Maine are considering the adoption of gay rights ordinances, following a referendum in February that overturned the state's gay rights law. Ordinances have been discussed in Bar Harbor, Brunswick, Camden, Falmouth, Kennebunk, Orono and South Portland. Portland is the only municipality in the state that currently has such an ordinance. Some supporters deny criticism that tourist towns are pursuing ordinances out of fear of alienating out-of-state visitors. In Western Maine, Bethel, Albany and Newry voted against overturning the law.

Maine fourth in in-migration

AUGUSTA--For every two families or individuals moving out of Maine last year, there were three moving in, according to a recent study by Allied Van Lines. Maine ranked fourth in the nation for in-migration in 1997, trailing only Georgia, Nevada and Arizona. For 30 years, Allied has released its list of so-called "magnet states," which are defined as having a minimum of 55 percent of its total interstate relocations moving into the state. An "outbound" state has a minimum of 55 percent of relocations moving out-of-state. North Dakota is the number one outbound state for 1997, with New York in second place.

Don't burn if you don't have to

AUGUSTA--Debris fires that went out of control accounted for two-thirds of 30 wildfires reported in the state last weekend. Jim Downie of the Maine Forest Service recommends that if residents need to burn ice storm debris, they look for a gravel-surfaced location away from homes. A better alternative, he said, is chipping limbs and branches, or having them picked up by the town. Individuals responsible for a forest fire can be charged \$10,000 for the cost of fighting the blaze, and may also be held civilly liable for hundreds of thousands of dollars in losses to other people's property.

Waiting in line for a condo

PARK CITY, Utah--Realtor Barry Van waited in line for 17 hours to be the first to reserve a spot in The Canyons ski-resort condominium development. He was one of nearly 200 people who got in line about 11:30 p.m. last Wednesday. American Skiing Co. plans to build 75 condos 400 to 500 feet from its new gondola. Average price for the 500- to 1,400-square-foot units is nearly \$300,000. Each person who waited in line was allowed to make a single reservation to purchase one unit. Many of the people were hired by real-estate agents. Some agents paid several hundred dollars to hire people to wait six to 12 hours.

Court gives PNGTS nod over CMP

PORTLAND--A United States Federal Court has ruled in favor of the Portland Natural Gas Transmission System in a right-of-way dispute with Central Maine Power Company. The oral decision, issued Friday by Chief Judge D. Brock Hornby, gives PNGTS authority to install pipeline in CMP-owned electrical transmission corridors. CMP had objected to parts of the pipeline plan, especially the proposed distances between the natural gas and electrical lines. CMP spokesman Mark Ishkanian said Monday the company was "evaluating our options and still hopeful we can negotiate a settlement rather than pursue this further in court."

"Speak Out" is Sunday

NORWAY--The Rape Education and Crisis Hotline will hold its annual "Speak Out" event April 19 at the church on Main Street in Norway. The event allows past and present victims of sexual abuse and rape to speak out about their experience in any way they choose. Many sing and play music, read poetry, speak, display art and act out skits. For more information call 207-743-9777.

Gambling a factor in homelessness

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Nearly one out of five homeless people who responded to a recent survey at shelters around the nation said gambling had contributed to their poverty. The survey was conducted over the past three months by the International Union of Gospel Missions. A spokesman for the group said the proliferation of casinos and state lotteries in the 1990s has added a new dimension to homelessness that has just begun to appear at inner-city shelters. Of those responding to the survey, 18 percent said gambling was a factor in their becoming homeless; 70 percent said gambling or lotteries make it harder to get back on their feet. Eighty-five percent said they had gambled or played the lottery at some point in their lives, and 37 percent said they still did. The survey received responses from 1,102 people in 42 shelters.

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From the Bethel Police log:

PD short on hospitality for this visitor

At 12:20 p.m. on April 13 a subject entered the Police Department to obtain a tow permit. The officer had knowledge of an outstanding warrant from the Oxford County Sheriff's Department. Rodney J. Levesque, 18, of East Stoneham was arrested and transported to the Oxford County jail, where he was held without bail. A pat-down search also revealed a marijuana pipe in the subject's pocket. He was also summonsed for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Saturday, April 11

At 2:30 p.m., while southbound on Route 5, police observed a van headed north at 65 miles per hour. The officer stopped the vehicle and issued a summons to Robert Levesque, 45, (no address given) for speeding. He was also given a summons for operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

Sunday, April 12

At 7 p.m., the Oxford County Sheriff's Office received a call that a car traveling at a high rate of speed on the Barker Road was heading toward town. As the Bethel officer was traveling up Main Street, a motorist flagged him down and said a vehicle of the same description was following another car up Paradise Road in excess of 70 miles per hour. The officer found the vehicle parked in a driveway. He spoke to the driver, who said he was on the Barker Road and did follow another vehicle up Paradise. The officer informed him of the penalties for criminal speeding. The driver said he wouldn't do it again.

Tuesday, April 14

At 10:10 a.m., the FAA in Bangor reported an aircraft as overdue at the Bethel air field. The pilot should have closed his flight plan at 9:30 a.m. Police checked the field and found the plane had landed and the pilot departed. The FAA was advised.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log, but does not include all reports of police activity. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies. An answering machine takes calls when an officer is not in the office.

REACH SUPPORT GROUP

The Rape Education and Crisis Hotline is sponsoring a therapist-led support group for adult women survivors of sexual assault, beginning in early May. For more information call 1-800-622-2365 or 207-743-9777. There is no charge for the services.

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UP FOR SALE--The 100-year-old Hanover Village Store closed last week, and has been put up for sale or lease by owner Tom Pitcher. Pitcher cited competition from several chain-owned stores in the area. The town's Post Office continues to operate in the store. (Photo by Alison Aloisio)

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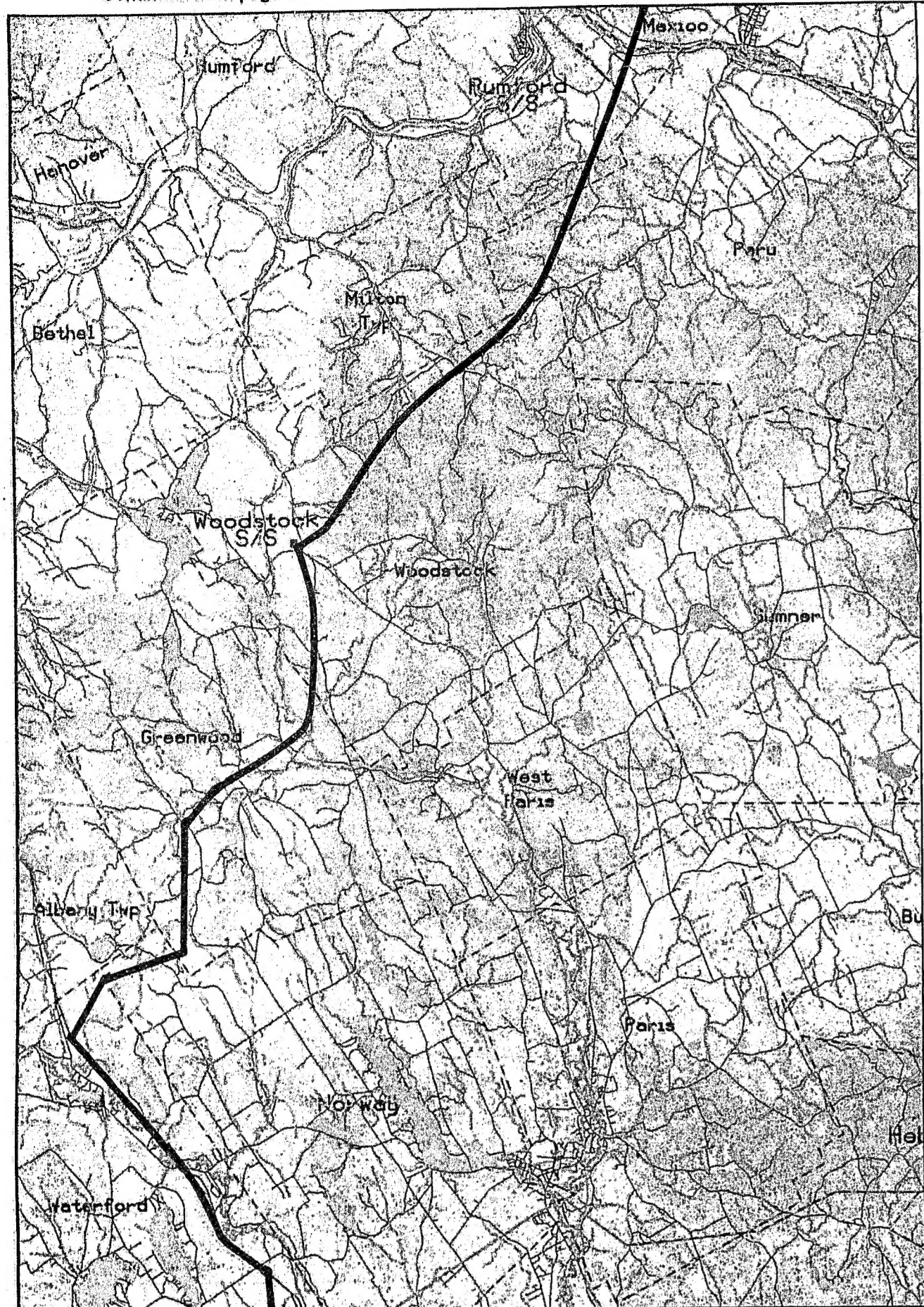
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Power line

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CMP CHANGING ITS LINE?—A proposal to add a second transmission line to this corridor passing through Woodstock (see map, left) has some residents worried about the aesthetic and environmental impact. Here, the line crosses Old County Road. Judy Bennett, who lives nearby, said CMP last year cut down a line of trees — which had served as a visual buffer — between her house and the line. The trees ran along the stone wall. The company had promised 20 years ago to leave the trees, according to Bennett. (Photo by Alison Aloisio)

Others questioned whether the price CMP was paying to acquire additional land for the line was fair.

CMP officials — including a community relations representative, a project manager, an engineer, a real estate representative and an environmental specialist — tried to answer the concerns.

Regarding environmental impacts, community relations representative Betty Nickerson said the higher poles can span greater distances, thus avoiding the need to place poles in sensitive areas. And under the lines, vegetation could be left up to heights of 20 feet.

A second opinion

But several of the residents wanted CMP to exhaust all other options for placing the line before settling on the current proposal.

"We're talking about decades of impact," said Marie Hickey.

Jay Hardy wondered if an external engineering study could be done,

with the cost paid by the company building the generation plant, Rumford Power Associates. RPA is paying the costs of the power project's feasibility study and construction.

Corrin liked that idea. "This is radical surgery, and you (Hardy) are proposing a second opinion," he said.

One suggestion was to find a way to run the old and the new lines along the same poles.

On the subject of property values, real estate representative Ken Freye said the company would "work with the landowners" in cases where, for example, they believe the wood on their lot increases its value above the company's offer.

Freye said the last time he knew of any utility resorting to the use of eminent domain to acquire property was 1974.

More lines possible?

Some meeting-goers also wondered if there might be more transmission line projects in their future.

Engineer Lee Blake said if there was a large increase in the capacity of the Rumford plant in the future, more lines might be needed.

"It's not impossible," he said — particularly with the coming of deregulation in 2000, and CMP getting out of the generation business itself.

The company is mandated to provide transmission lines to any third-party power generators.

Several property owners were also unhappy with what they said was the lateness of notification by CMP regarding the project, as well as a lack of complete information.

Company officials said they are on a tight schedule to complete the study for RPA, but, said Freye, CMP "will do a quality job" for everyone by the time the process ends.

Resident Judy Bennett was skeptical of promises. Twenty years ago, she said, CMP promised to keep a visual buffer of trees between her home and the line. Then about a year ago, she said, "I came home one day and every tree had been cut."

She was told the buffer was too costly to keep, she said. "How long are promises good for?" she asked.

Nickerson said after the meeting that residents "had some legitimate concerns" about the new transmission line. CMP, she said, could take another look at the situation.

"We'll have to work with the Cushman Hill group," said Nickerson. She said CMP plans to send the residents more detailed information that was gathered when the company was looking for the best route for the transmission line.

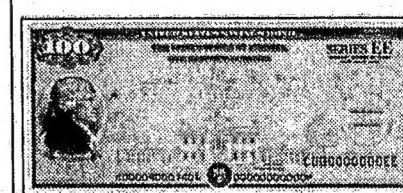
After that, she said, company officials may do a "walk-through" of the Cushman Hill area with some of the residents to see their concerns firsthand.

The project will be reviewed by the planning boards in Woodstock and Greenwood.

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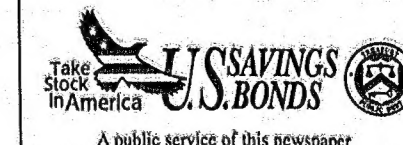
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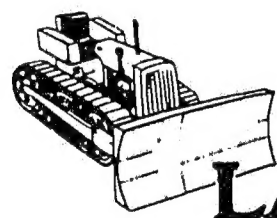
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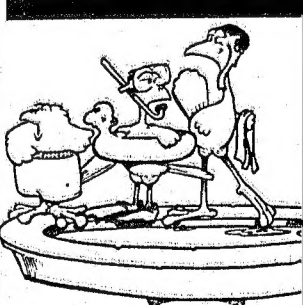
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Bethel Station project.

Those funds came with some strings attached, and the loose end currently tying the project up stems from a 1994 Community Development Block Grant grant of \$400,000, which went toward the construction of water lines in the Bethel Station area.

The requirement stipulates the town demonstrate by July 1997 that 200 new jobs had been created as a result of the grant.

Those jobs were "the sole reason CDBG funds were awarded," DECD project manager Aaron Shapiro wrote recently to the town.

And, he commented, "Obviously the jobs have yet to be created."

Town officials don't disagree. In fact, they tally fewer than 30 full-time jobs that can be attributed to the infrastructure work in Bethel Station.

That poor job-creation record doesn't mean the town risks having to pay back the \$400,000, but it is making state officials reluctant to commit the additional \$200,000 that had been slated to go toward the sewage plant work.

"If we had a better record on those last jobs we wouldn't be getting quite the scrutiny we're getting now," said Dutch Dresser, chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

The state has offered to release the funds, but only if the town will sign a contract guaranteeing the new money would result in the creation of 100 new jobs in the next two years.

Because the \$200,000 would go toward sewage plant work, those new jobs could be anywhere on the sewer system.

But Dresser said the town has turned down the contract offer, since the selectmen don't believe that many countable jobs would be generated.

The figure of 100, he said, "just doesn't pass the straight-face test."

Instead of signing the job-creation contract, Dresser said, town officials hope to be able to convince the state that the earlier, \$400,000 grant has actually led to the creation of many new jobs, but jobs that can't be counted because they are outside the immediate project area.

"The counting of jobs created by these grants is a very inexact science," Dresser said.

When (and if) they are able to meet with McBrierty, he said, "We hope to win some recognition that the last \$400,000 created more jobs than we can get credit for. For example, I think anyone would acknowledge the Rite-Aid jobs are a result of it. And Les (Ottens, chairman and chief executive officer of the American Skiing Company) would argue the jobs at the GAMM building come as a result of the project. And there are other jobs peripheral to the site."

Ottens, in a letter of support for the town's argument, wrote "The American Skiing Company should have over 200 jobs located in Bethel in a period of time that began in 1996 and ending at the end of 1999."

Most of those jobs could not be credited toward the grant, Ottens wrote, since they will be located at the GAMM building, in the Airport Industrial Park. But "while this building is not directly related to the Bethel Station it is being used because we foresee the Bethel Station project being built to accommodate the needs of our growing company," he said.

In a similar letter, Bethel Station general manager David Oppenheim referred to a number of possibilities for further development there, including a building for use by the town, a supermarket and a hotel.

None of those prospects, however, appear to have moved beyond the "expressing interest" stage.

Other complications

The delay in getting the expected \$200,000 grant is leveraging further problems for the town.

The contractor for the project has repeatedly extended the date for signing the contract and beginning work but is unlikely to do this indefinitely.

If the current agreement lapses and must be rebid, it could end up costing the town still more money.

The contractor, Penta Corp., "has a great reputation in sewer-plant upgrade projects. We're lucky to have them and I hope we can continue with them," Dresser said.

A further complication involves money that has already been spent on aspects of the overall infrastructure upgrade, including water improvements on Paradise Road and roads in Bethel Station.

The cost of those projects will be covered by federal Economic Development Authority funds, but the money cannot be released until all the contracts for the infrastructure upgrade -- including the sewage plant work -- are let.

"There's nearly a million dollars owed people already," Dresser said.

The Bethel Water District has taken out a short-term loan to cover the cost (\$300,000) of the Paradise water work, he said. "And the Maine Department of Transportation is not happy with us -- they'd like to have their \$640,000, for which I don't blame them."

The town is currently exploring whether it can get partial payment on the EDA grant," Dresser said, in order to cover the contracts that have already been completed.

"It's a complicated puzzle," he said.

Exemption

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applications from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28.

Andover applications were expected to be mailed Wednesday. The savings have not yet been calculated. Tax bills go out in August.

Newry also expects to put the forms in the mail, with residents receiving them early next week. Savings should be \$80 to \$85 on tax bills going out in July.

Greenwood will not mail forms. They may be picked up at the Town Office. Town Manager Carol Whitman said savings should be \$90 to \$100 on tax bills going out in late June.

Gilead administrative assistant Beverly Coriveau is calling taxpayers individually to describe the application process. She expects savings to be \$90 to \$95, after figuring for the town's 110 percent valuation. Tax bills are mailed in October.

In Upton, selectman Richard LeComte plans to mail applications. Homeowners should get them early next week at the latest. Savings are estimated at approximately \$100, on bills that will go out in July.

But some of the savings to Upton residents may be offset as a result of a recent development, said LeComte. The town's approved 1998 municipal budget may have to be increased to accommodate

school tuition and transportation for four new children moving into town.

In Albany and Mason, residents can expect their forms in the mail. The applications will be mailed directly from the state.

One-time application

Taxpayers need only apply in the initial year. If there are no changes in the ownership or usage of the property in subsequent years, the original application will apply.

The Maine Municipal Association's Legislative Bulletin of April 6 describes the rationale behind the law: "Broad-based homestead exemptions have been adopted in 20 states across the nation to address in a most simple direct manner the structural imbalances in a state's tax system that can develop over time."

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Volunteers are still needed to read back issues of the Courier on to tapes. Anyone wishing to help in this endeavor is urged to call the society office at 824-2908. The society will furnish the tapes for these recordings.

At the business portion of the April meeting, President Walter Hatch brought to the attention of all those attending the awarding of a \$75,000 challenge grant for the capital campaign from the Bingham Betterment Fund. He thanked the Fund for its support and urged everyone to help generate matching funds.

The president announced the "Artifacts of the Month" were two family Bibles, one belonging to Agnes Hastings Straw and the other to her husband William O. Straw, the latter containing genealogical information.

These were once in the property next door to the Dr. Moses Mason House, which the society is currently purchasing for additional museum space. The Bibles were the gift of Barbara Hastings Honkala, a descendant of Agnes Hastings Straw's brother, John Decatur Hastings.

President Hatch reminded society members and friends of the next supper on Patriot's Day, April 18 to benefit the capital campaign. It will feature a menu typical of that era, baked beans, corn bread, slaw, ham, and apple crisp. Adults will be \$6, children \$3.

The next meeting was scheduled for May 7 and will feature Sidney Gordon discussing the topic of collecting old photographs.

A life membership was presented to Jacqueline Van Leuven of Bethel by the president.

School savings

Continued from page 1

The district has applied the money to reduce the local assessment. What would have been an average increase in the local assessment of about 4 percent will now drop to 2.96 percent, if the budget is approved by voters. The total local assessment is \$4,476,544.

Administrative costs trimmed

On Monday, school directors approved stipends for an administrative restructuring plan that will drop the overall cost of district administration between \$10,000 and \$12,000.

In that plan, Telstar principal Ted Davis will oversee both the high and middle schools, with an as-

sistant principal for the middle school. Davis will receive a \$5,000 stipend for the added responsibility. In recent years, the middle school has had its own principal.

Crescent Park Elementary School principal David Murphy, meanwhile, will oversee all three district elementary schools, also with the help of assistants. He will get a \$2,000 stipend for the extra work.

"Bulk" purchasing?

Looking farther down the road, business manager Bruce Powell has been talking with officials in SAD21 and Peru regarding possible joint purchasing practices that would save money.

Staff health insurance is a big expense. Powell told directors Monday he believes SAD44 can get lower premiums and better coverage by going in with the other school systems. Joint purchases of fuel, food and school and office supplies are also a possibility.

In the more distant future, said Powell, joint bus purchases may be feasible.

Budget, vote, hearing set

Also Monday evening, directors approved and signed the warrants for the FY'99 district budget referendum, to be held May 12. A public hearing will be held April 29 at 7 p.m. in the Telstar library.

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To illustrate, suppose you were born January 2, 1928. You will turn 70½ on July 2, 1998, so you have until April 1, 1999, to take your first distribution.

Recently, two major exceptions have been added to this general rule:

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If you have relatively large balances in your retirement plans, you'll be pleased to know that the penalty tax on "excess accumulations" has been eliminated. But that doesn't mean planning for retirement distributions has become easy. For example, if you are required to take your first payout after turning age 70½, you don't necessarily want to wait until April 1 of the following year. Postponing your first distribution means you'll then have to take two distributions in the same year, and that could push you into a higher tax bracket. Even if you aren't required to take distributions at age 70½ because you are still working, it could make good tax sense to start your payouts sooner rather than later.

If you would like assistance working through the numbers and getting the best tax treatment on your plan payouts, contact our office.

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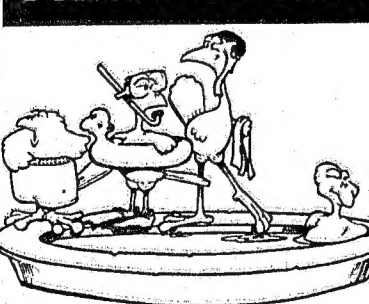
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by Virginia Keniston
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lawthers of Lexington, Mass., and Don Ferrero of New Bedford, Mass., were weekend guests of Bud and Mary Paine.
Bob and Ginny Keniston spent Saturday of Easter Weekend with the G.I. Bangs family in Dresden.
Lindley and Pauline Wieden enjoyed a family Easter gathering at their daughter, Sylvia LaFlamme's home in Vienna. Their five children and grandchildren were present, adding up to 26 members.

The Methodist Church Men's Club met Monday night at the Rumford Point Congregational Church for a potluck supper. The speaker was a representative of Mead Paper Company in Rumford. Lindley Wieden was on the supper committee.

Family and friends from Massachusetts visited Jackie Van Leuven over the Easter Weekend.

Becky and Lennie Shaw have returned from a week's vacation in Palm Beach, Fla.

There will be a track meet on Wednesday, 3:15 p.m. at Hebron.

Baptisms at the Methodist Church on Palm Sunday were Victoria Hope, daughter of Keith and Becky Ryerson; Brent Allan, son of Deanna Ryerson and Peter Gordon; Gerard Clyde, son of Andrew and

Katie Billings. A Christening Party was held at the home of Wanda Ryerson following the service.

Steve and Linda Blake are at home from Florida after spending the winter in Naples. Sonny and Phyllis Blake are spending some time in Florida.

At the April meeting of the Bethel United Methodist Women, fundraising plans were discussed, such as Mollycokett breakfast and a craft fair. The pie sales will start in June. A tea for area ladies will be held June 4 with all area ladies invited. A supper will be held on May 2.

Bethel House

by Ruth Cummings

Some of you may have been disappointed not to see my column in last week. Well so was I, I wrote it

and took it up and put it in the box on Sunday. But because of an error at the office it did not get printed. But Mike promised me that it would be in this week plus any that I might have for this week.

I do not know the author of the following poem but it sorta goes with most of us here at the Bethel House, so I am sharing it with you.

"Old-Age Truth
We are the old folks that you see,
Who fast to life have clung,
And like us you will sometimes be,
For once we too were young."

We are now in life's aftermath,
And by the grace of God
Your feet will travel o'er the path
Our weary feet have trod.

The things we should remember
Slip by us, just like time
Our flame is now an ember
And our efforts not in rhyme.

It's not our fault our feet are slow
And linger in between
This earthly life we have lived to know
And the life we have never seen.

So treat us kindly as you pass
And as your days unfold
Remember time is going fast
And you too are growing old."

Vada Glover visited with Ruth Cummings at the Bethel House recently. They played cribbage as usual and luck was with Ruth that day as she won eight out of 12 games and now it is a tie in 658 games played. They shopped at The Dollar Store in Norway, at Ames and Wal-Mart in Oxford and had a lovely meal of fried clams at Chef's Table. Several others from Bethel also were at the Chef's Table that day.

Florence Morgan was a recent visitor of her sister, Eva Lane, at the Bethel House.

Helena Bartlett spent Easter Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bartlett and other family members in Locke Mills.

Margaret Quinlan and Irene Russell attended the Senior Citizens Club dinner at the Bethel Methodist Church Wednesday of last week.

Two flies were buzzing around a picnic area and came up on a table with a piece of "baloney" on it. They landed and ate their fill of "baloney" They then flew to the pump handle at the well to rest. The first fly having rested started

to fly away. However soon as he was airborne he dropped to the ground dead. The second fly started to fly away with the same results. The moral to the story, do not fly off the handle when you are full of baloney.

It is sad to have the Hanover store close. I remember going there with my mother and later, this would have been in the early 1940s, with my husband. We also went there when Henry Howe owned it and his son Gordon worked in the Post Office. I think after that Gordon owned it a while. Parker and Grace Russell were the first owners I remember.

West Bethel



by Karen Jordan

Driving home from L.L. Bean's last Saturday along Route 136 Fred and I saw a

number of young boys with fishing poles over their shoulders. Their faces seemed half smile and half determination. We reminisced about how much of our own childhood was spent trying to outwit the trout and sucker populations. As my sister recently pointed out, I tend to glamorize the past and weave a tale which sounds better than the actual story. Well here goes another one.

Worms are the most important part of fishing in these parts. The brookies in our small streams seem to jump at the chance to be caught if you dangle a juicy worm in front of their gills. Springtime is the best time to dig worms, and we had a pasture behind our barn where some old manure had rotted down into the darkest earth you'd ever want to find. The snow has just receded and the earth is moist, in which worms need to survive. The good old garden fork with strong tines makes the best digger. A spade will do but makes the work much harder.

It must be early morning or late at night because worms can be fooled into thinking they are safe in the dark. Don't walk too hard on the ground because the worms know when we giants are coming. Try to be quiet as worms have very large ears. You can believe me or not, but these safeguards worked very well when I was a kid. After getting your fork, some rubber boots, a warm

sweater, and a clean tomato soup can, you can head for the manure pile. Usually the first dozen forkfuls of earth turn up the best find. You can bet on getting the tin can a quarter full using this technique. Don't forget to put some moist soil in the can so the worms feel comfortable in there.

The hardest part of fishing for me was putting the worm onto the hook. My dad was the greatest fisherman there was, until my brother was about six, then he became the greatest. My dad would lovingly hold the hook between thumb and index finger gently convincing me that the worm wouldn't bite as he slipped his little body along the curve of the shiny, sharp hook. For years I got my dad to continue this ritual so I wouldn't have to feel the worm wriggle and twist in my little fingers. My dad's hands were big and tough and he couldn't feel the worm's pain the way I could.

That done, we'd put our poles into the brook and on the way get the hook with worm tangled into the alder bushes that always grew like crooked teeth along the banks of the Pleasant River. By the time I could get to the other end of the fishing hole, the worm was barely visible and I'd have to start over with another one. This fishing stuff always started out like fun but ended in frustration with me whining to go home and my siblings catching all the fish. The romance of fishing was gone and so was my patience. My sister was always better when it came to waiting for the fish to bite and baiting the hook. She and I had the pleasure of fishing together last summer on South Arm in a canoe with the wind blowing. We didn't catch anything except good stories to share when the days get short and the winter seems like it will never end. Happy fishing.

North Newry

by Gil Seeley

Ras Bachelard was admitted at the Maine Medical Center Saturday, April 4, for more observ-

tions. As of Friday, the 10th, he was still there. Anyone who wishes to send him good health wishes can do so at his home address, Reginald Bachelard, Box 260 HCR Newry, ME 04261. We hope that he will be there by then.

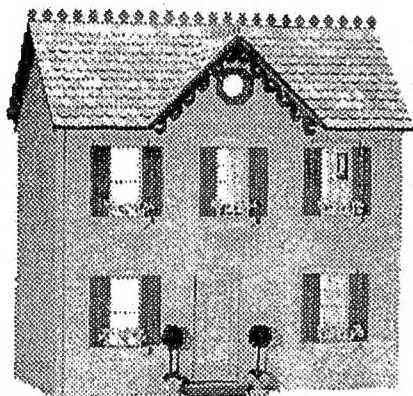
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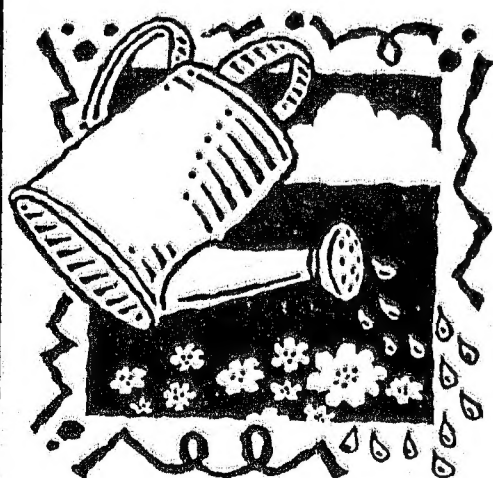
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Bryant Pond



by
Alice Hoyt

Eilene Stork and her Girl Scout Troop 805 met at the Whitman Memorial Library, along with guests, to get acquainted with their library and to make posters for the Walk-a-thon which will be held on May 9.

First, the girls walked through the library to locate where different books were kept, then they enjoyed a story time with some little visitors. Carolyn Stubbs, 9, read a book to Alison Moore, 4, and Kara Jacques read a book to Cameron Poland. The computer was of great interest to some. Come again girls.

A social evening at the home of Joan and Arthur Jentoft raised more than \$650 for the Whitman Memorial Library matching fund drive. Thanks to each person who contributed.

Looking ahead to April 29 -- at the Woodstock Elementary School, at 7 p.m., the 28-voice choir of committed Christian young men and women will present a fresh and vibrant Gospel message in the traditional spirit. A ladies' trio and men's quartet as well will also sing. The choir is directed by Mr. Glen Wiggins. Mr. Keith McMahon, faculty member of New Brunswick Bible Institute, will bring a brief message from the Word of God. Friends everywhere are invited to hear and enjoy this ministry in song and word.

Looking ahead to May 9 -- which is the date of the Walk-a-thon to help the matching fund grant for Whitman Memorial Library -- anyone who plans to walk, please return

your sign-up sheets to the Town Office, so they will know how many to plan on. Forms are available at the Town Office. The walk starts at the library at 9 a.m.

Franklin Grange 124 met on Monday evening, April 6, for Community Service Award Program. The Bible was opened and the flag presented; the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung; prayer by the chaplain and everyone sang the "Battle Hymn of the Republic"; Bryant Pond Baptist Church choir sang "Amazing Grace" and "How Great Thou Art"; Community Service Award was presented to Pastor Linwood Hanson, his wife and daughter; two girls from the Junior Church sang "Jesus Loves Me" and "Just As I Am"; Jewel Clark sang a couple songs; teddy bears were presented to Tri-Town Rescue members for traumatized young people; music by Lona and Bill Bedard; Easter poem written by Bertha Benoit, "The Easter Promise" was read by Peggy Blake; music by the Grange band; Dot Canwell whistled a couple songs; reading by Russell Yates, "Spring in Maine"; closing song, "God Bless America"; the Bible was closed; the flag retired; prayer by the chaplain. Refreshments were served downstairs. Sixty-two people attended. Next meeting will be 7 p.m. on April 20 for Youth Night.

The Woodstock alumni group met on Thursday evening with two new people from the Class of '68 present. The W.H.S. Alumni Association Banquet will be held on Saturday, June 13, at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, Locke Mills. This year the menu contains chicken. The classes of 1928, 1938 and 1948 will be special guests with the seniors from Telstar High School from Greenwood and Woodstock and the ones applying for scholarships from

Bethel, etc. Next meeting will be held May 8 at Alice Hoyt's. Any ideas for a short program, please let us know.

The Woodstock Historical Society offers access to another age and time. It captures the essence of turn of the century in Bryant Pond, and since we are about to enter a new century, the society encompasses the old remarkably well. In the next couple of years there will be many retrospectives offered of the 20th century. The society fits right in. It studies the New England heritage.

East Stoneham



by
Eleanor Nelson

Hi readers. Did any of you get to see that musical "Bye Bye Birdie" at the new Oxford Hills Auditorium put on by local talent last week? I did and it was just wonderful. What a lot of work goes into these productions. They are always so very enjoyable. Thanks, Dale and Kitty.

Well -- on Saturday morning I went by, bye off to the Portland Jetport to Philadelphia and to Newport News, Va., to visit daughter Cheryl and family for a few days. You wouldn't believe all the lush green grass and pretty tulips and dogwood trees all blossomed there. We had a fun time and before I knew it, it was time to come home. Everything was fine there and here. Thanks to Cheryl for free airfare. U.S. Airlines is the way to go.

Dale Nelson has been home from

his work at Ripley & Fletcher and recuperating from surgery he had on Monday at the Stephens Memorial Hospital.

Here's a reminder that Frances Grant is having milk, buttermilk and sweet dairy butter for sale, which is awfully good on hot biscuits, etc.

Oh yes, the smelts are running. We haven't had any yet but we heard that they are running and a few neighbors got some last night. It used to be fun going smelting but guess we're getting older and hope the younger generation will go and get some smelts.

Don't forget the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Tent 19 will be meeting at the home of Eleanor Smith at Waterford Acres on Thursday, April 23, at 7 p.m. Hope to see all you members there.

Songo Pond



by
Alice Kimball

The surface of the pond has been darkening this week, and with some open water around the shoreline maybe the ice will be out in a few days, especially if these below-freezing temperatures warm up in the early morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Head and little daughter returned recently from a week's visit with relatives in Arizona.

Friends and members of the Albany Improvement Association will sponsor a Yard Sale, as a fundraiser

to benefit the association, on Memorial Weekend at the Town Hall. More details later.

The A.H.H. nurse was a caller here Friday morning.

My brother and wife in Florida had planned to start their return home to Unity last Monday morning. Instead my sister-in-law is a patient at Tampa General Hospital in Tampa, Fla., where she underwent triple bypass heart surgery on Thursday.

Remember to forget the things that made you sad, but don't forget to remember the things that made you glad.

Sunday River Valley



by
Rockie Graham

It's been another glorious weekend. The bright sun and warm days were set off by April-cold nights. I got out my old bicycle (which had been cleaned up and oiled several weeks ago) and headed up the car-quiet valley, a good day for a ride.

The river is down three feet or so from my last trip and the mid-river rocks jut out at mid-July levels.

There is not the sound of rushing water heard just a few weeks ago. That can't be good news this early in the season.

Riding took some getting used to -- my pants kept threatening to get caught in the chain until I rolled them up about a foot. It always takes a while to get used to riding and to get my seat back. Riding home I realized the danger the bike rider is in having to stop at the stop sign at the start of the hill. Didn't somebody say bike path? I made it through the stop sign all right only to be almost run off the road near the ball field by, what else, a Massachusetts driver in a hurry. Next time I'll wear bright orange so they can see me better.

Tashi is in the dog house but good. Twice now she's run away when let off her chain for a little frolic in the yard. She's decided she likes the hens, so she's a leash dog, now. I walked her twice on the leash, today, but she doesn't like it because she can't run and I don't like it because she doesn't heel very well. Maybe I'll take her to the land next weekend and let her run. She can't get into too much trouble there.

Don't forget the Open House at the Newry Post Office on Friday,

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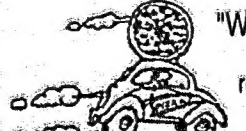
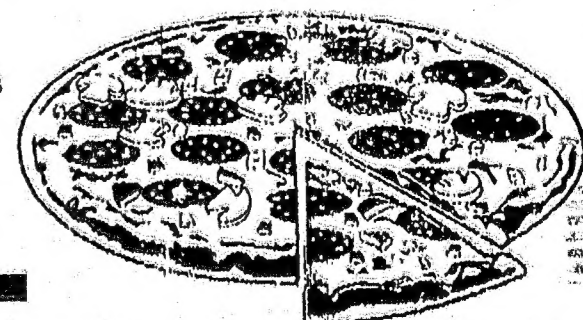
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East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer
Louise Twitchell has been in the hospital but is now home and doing well.
Jim and Donna Bernard took Polly Smith with them to Easter dinner at Sidney's in Naples. On the way home they stopped at Bridgton to visit Jim and Jackie Thurston.

Polly Smith went to the Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting and dinner at the Methodist Church in Bethel on April 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Aube and son, Conner, Jill and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Olson had Easter dinner with Gary and Nancy Aube in Berlin, N.H.

Paul and Charlotte Kimball had Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kimball and family of West Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Tuominen and children of North Norway for Easter supper.

Florence Hastings spent Easter Sunday with Mike and Holly Brown of South Paris.

Sonny and Bettyann Hastings and Florence visited Jeff Hastings and family in Corinna on April 11.

Arlene Harrington visited Carl and Dori Hallman and family in Durham on April 11 and 12.

Ron Gilbert visited Justin Gilbert in Myrtle Beach, S.C., recently.

Gloria Crockett and Jason joined Aaron and Kelly Crockett for Easter dinner.

Gloria Crockett has seen some of the wild turkeys this spring.
Clayton Bartlett has heard a tom turkey calling the hens.

Jerry Bernier was home from the Maine Maritime Academy for Easter on April 11 and 12.

Mary Bean had Easter with Stephen and Pam Wojtyasiak in Westbrook.

Arthur Hertell spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Goff and family in Rumford. Linda Hertell and daughter of Auburn were also there for Easter dinner.

I hope all had a good Easter. The weather for the day was beautiful.

Andover



by Karen McKay

A benefit dance will be held for Chris Akers on Saturday, May 9, from 8 p.m. until midnight at the Town Hall. The dance will be BYOB. Raffles will be held for many items, including arts and crafts, gift certificates and a 50/50 raffle.

The Elementary School has been preparing for Thursday's Curriculum Fair for a long time. It's scheduled for April 16 from 6 to 7 p.m. The students are inviting all friends and family to stop by their classrooms and look over their projects and topics of study. The fifth-graders will be sponsoring a Bake Sale at the Fair to raise funds for their class trip.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at the school April 13 through 17. They will also be at the Curriculum Fair taking orders. Are you able to help out at the Fair? Contact Cindy Gammon at 392-2051 if you would like to help.

Thanks to all that helped make the recent bake sale and luncheon such a success. The Olde Home Days committee thanks all the buyers, diners, bakers and great cooks of Andover for their support.

Get well wishes to Doty Lang, who is hospitalized. A card shower will be held this week, please send cards to: Doty Lang, Jackson Brook Institute, 175 Running Hill Road, South Portland, ME 04106.

Congratulations to Sandra Clement, last week's winner of the free dinner raffle offered by the All Season's Cafe. Register to win next time you are dining downtown.

Mrs. Donald Reed was in West Kingston, R.I., recently to attend funeral services for her brother. Accompanying her were her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Standeven.

Mrs. Joseph Arseneault has moved from her home on the East Andover Road to Mexico.

The deer herd that has been roaming through East Andover has thinned out now that the snow is melting. More than eight residents have been feeding the deer. At times more than a dozen deer would gather and could be viewed from the road.

Jeffrey Hall and family are preparing their new home, the George Crooker house, for future residency. Jeff graduated from Telstar in 1984, he then was in the Marines for four years. His family resided in Texas prior to their move to Andover. He is the son of Darline and Robert Hall.

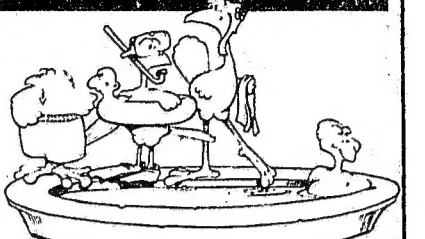
I have decided to make the April 30 edition my last column. It would be great if someone would come forward and take on the correspondent duties for the town. I have reflected upon my writing career, noting that I have been penning the Andover news for seven years or so.

That's over 350 columns! I hope I have offered you something of interest or use in one of them at some time. Don't hesitate to call me at 392-4031 to discuss the town reporter's obligations and rewards.



PAGE FOR A DAY
Seth P. Wilson was recently invited to Augusta by Sen. Mary R. Cathcart of Orono to act as honorary page in the state Senate chambers. Seth is the son of Mike and Sandy Wilson of Lincoln and the grandson of Gloria Wilson of Bethel.

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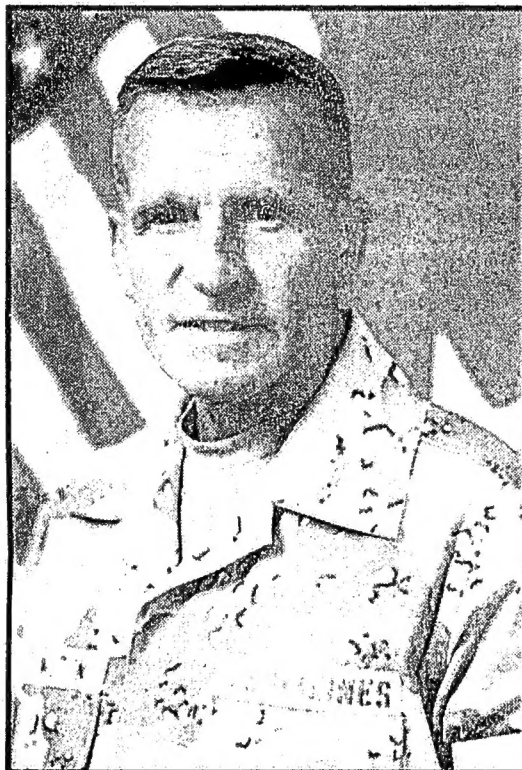
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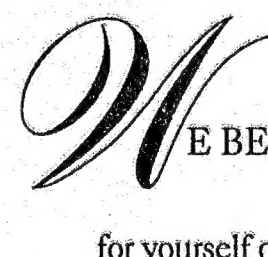
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Mason Township



by Richard Grover
It's been an eventful week in our tiny metropolis. On the evening of April 9 Martha Grover was honored by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) with their award for the youth "Citizen of the Year." The DAR ladies presented the award at the Chicken Coop Restaurant in Mexico in a ceremony celebrating Martha's receiving the award and the many civic contributions she has made in the past year. I'm told that one of the ladies presenting the award was a Wave during WWII. Being short in stature, she said she failed to meet the Navy's minimum height requirement, but somehow she got in. Then she said her peers took to calling her "Ripple" since she was shorter than a Wave.

On Saturday, April 11, the Rupert Grover family hosted a rather unique gathering at "The Farm." The occasion was a funeral "celebration?" where folks could bid adieu to the old farmhouse, which will be razed later this month to make room for a new house. The new one will occupy the same spot as the old, with many added amenities and improvements. The idea for the "funeral" was spawned by granddaughters Rebecca and Jessica. I'm told, and it did not take long for Rupert Jr. and wife Suzanne to bring the plan to fruition. They mailed invitations to all the extended family members they could think of and made word-of-mouth notification to local friends including most of the West Bethel Union Church congregation.

The festivities included both liquid and solid refreshments of almost every kind, as well as toys and amusements of several types for young and old alike. The most popular activity seemed to be the aluminum boat in the farm pond, where the grandkids and great-grandkids could all paddle around and teach David and Amy Hanscom's puppy, Hunter, a beautiful golden retriever, how to swim. People came, visited and left throughout the day, many from out of state. Phyllis and Tom Davis, long-time family friends, flew up from Washington, D.C., for the occasion. By day's end, 68 people had signed the guest register.

Then Easter Sunday the entire congregation of the West Bethel Union Church, plus quite a few visitors, assembled on the front lawn of "The Farm" for Easter sunrise service. Pastor Joyce Scott led an inspiring and joyful ceremony which

was highlighted by the sun peeking over the hills just as we sang the hymn, "He Arose." This was only the second time in 10 years that the sun had made an appearance at the sunrise service here. The entire assemblage of 52 or 53 people then retired to Dan and Nancy Grover's home for her usual serving of quiche, scrambled eggs, sausage and all the trimmings.

Upton



by Eleanor LeComte

Spring made a brief visit to Upton. It lasted about 48 hours and then returned to cold weather. The lake lost its top water and the grim reality that it was at least three weeks till "Ice Out." Several people have crocuses blooming which always make us feel that spring will surely arrive soon. The deer have changed their feeding habits, and we are giving them less grain. There is a lot more grazing in the field where the snow is gone.

Sue Nelson had a pair of mallards on her beach, but was not happy to see a mink dive into the edge water after them. Luckily they escaped. A bald eagle was sighted on the river island in the Dead Cambridge.

The road to Newry remained in good condition all winter due to last year's repair and construction. From the New Hampshire line to Errol there are many frost heaves and potholes but it's become more passable.

I was sad to see the "For Sale" sign on the Upton Trading Post. Jerry had originally planned to keep it as a second home when he moved to New York. Jerry's parents still have a vacation home on the lake, so Jerry, Amy and Matt will be spending some time in Upton this summer.

Richard LeComte is home from the hospital recuperating. He received many cards and phone calls while being confined in the Colebrook hospital.

Simone Lavalley fractured her wrist during the winter. She is improving daily with the assistance of a physical therapist from Lancaster. She is a very busy woman and I'm sure she works very hard at rehabilitation.

The snow banks on Route 26 finally have receded to a level that pleases Elsie Fuller. Her house is set low and for weeks she has been tucked behind the snow banks. Elsie usually has a cardinal at her feeder all winter. This year he never

showed up. Perhaps the snow banks deterred him from visiting.

The School Board meeting was held on April 9. The transportation bids were tabled due to the impending arrival of four more students, which will require a larger bus.

Sue and Larry Nelson visited their new grandchild in Portsmouth. They are eagerly awaiting the arrival from Sweden of their three-year-old, red-headed grandson Charlie. He should be in the U.S. by May.

Vi Bernier heard from Florida that Margaret Mitchell will be driving to Maine very soon.

Bob and Donna Folsom's new house is nearing completion.

Easter weekend brought us pleasant weather. Roger Lavalley demonstrated his new "Motorized Rotary Broom." It was great. Two hours of sweeping by hand was accomplished in 10 minutes.

Mike Murphy, a master woodcarver of Bethel, visited with Richard in the Colebrook hospital.

Walter and Liz Stanczyk visited with their daughter, Theresa, in Rhode Island over Easter.



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West Paris by Russell Yates
Howdy friends. More beautiful weather is in store for us on this Tuesday, the 14th day of

April, but then it's a threatening for some much needed showers.

Monday evening, Peggy and I attended Community Service Night at Franklin Grange in Bryant Pond. The Community Service Award was presented to Pastor Linwood Hanson and family for their 35 years of service at the Baptist Church of Bryant Pond, and their many other services to the community. A total of 65 people attended the meeting to witness the presentation of this award. Refreshments were served after the meeting. Pastor Hanson is retiring from full-time service at the church, and we wish him well in all of his future endeavors.

Last Tuesday evening found us at

From the

Bethel Senior Citizens

Sixty-one Bethel Senior Citizens Club members enjoyed a delicious roast pork dinner at their monthly meeting held at the Bethel Methodist Church on April 8. President Helen Saunders made the birthday cake, which was served with a grapefruit pudding for dessert.

The door prize was won by Madeline Hunt. The raffle, which was a pair of home-knit socks knit by Helen Saunders, was won by Grace Douglass. Fifteen birthday cards and three get-well cards were sent.

Mellen Kimball is home and would appreciate cards, also Barbara Bryant fell and is recuperating at home, she would also enjoy cards.

Rudy Royer reported on the silver savor jars which are used to subsidize meals, bus trips and other projects of the club.

Lindley Wieden spoke on getting transportation for senior citizens. A petition was passed around for members to sign if they wanted to.

Several members read humorous stories and poems. Randy Bennett gave a talk on Mt. Zircon Moontide Springs which was very interesting.

Birthdays for April are: Helena Bartlett, Edward Bean, Ruth Bethel, Barbara Douglass, Wilma Gorman, Jane Hosterman, Jim Hutchins, Kathleen McAllister, Doris Ouellette, Emma Page, Barbara Ripley, Jo-Ann Royer, Maureen Swain, Elgin Tibbets, Hope Tibbets and Nancy Weber.

Next meeting is the annual meeting which will be held May 13 at the Town and Country Inn in Gorham, N.H. Price of dinner is \$8.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing

Remember the Walk-A-Thon on May 9 at 9 a.m. starting at the Whitman Memorial Library in

Bryant Pond. There will be a two-mile walk and a five-mile walk to benefit the library fund. Many thanks to all those who have made contributions for the participating walkers. The Woodstock Girl Scouts have made signs for the walk-a-thon and did an excellent job. Also, the West Paris Boy Scout group will be walking on May 9 to help raise funds. Please contribute to a good cause. The Girl Scouts read to children at the library one day last week.

The Whitman Memorial Library has reached over one-half its goal. There is now \$12,702 in the account, but more is needed to meet the goal. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the cause.

I saw Virginia Mason out walking near her home in South Woodstock one day this week. Virginia had surgery recently and I hope she's well on the way to a complete recovery. Good luck, Ginny.

Larry Poland is celebrating a birthday this month of April. I missed him earlier. Happy birthday, Larry.

One day this week my sister-in-law, Claribel Poland, baby-sat

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Community Calendar

Activities

Tuesdays--Clogging at Newry Grange. Beginners start at 5:30 p.m. and continue with experienced cloggers from 6 to 7:30 p.m. No charge. Sponsored by the Newry Recreation Committee. For further information call Nancy at 824-2115.

Tuesdays, 3 to 5 p.m.--Computer Lab time at the Adult Learning Center, Bethel (Windows 95, MS Office 97, and Internet). Public users must have their own e-mail account with a provider or may use one of the free e-mail services available on the Internet. Lee Dolleman supervises the lab.

Tuesdays--A Course in Miracles study group meets 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Ripley Center, 52 High Street, South Paris. Newcomers welcome. Teaches how to heal relationships by changing one's perception. For information call (743-9373).

Mondays and Wednesdays--Alcohol/Drug Treatment Program available at Bethel Family Health Center. For information call 743-7580.

Fridays--Beginning April 17, 7:30 to 9 p.m., Ballroom Dance Classes (six-weeks) at Locke Mills Town Hall to benefit Whitman Library Matching Fund. Singles Welcome -- \$25. To enroll call 665-2788.

Art Exhibit through May 1--Paintings by Maine artist Jean Beal at Gould Academy's Owen Art Gallery. Free. Open to public weekdays 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and for weekend hours call 824-7700. Exhibit followed by annual exhibition of student art work.

Grossest Sneakers Contest--Retire your torn and tattered treads for healthy babies. Worst sneaker will win grand prize. Place your grossest sneaker in the box (securely labeled) at either Bethel Family Health Center of Crescent Park School. Three finalists will be picked on April 17 and displayed at Preb's Pharmacy for one week. Sneaker that gets the most contributions will be announced on Walk America Day, April 26, at Bethel Family Health Center.

Thursday, April 16, 7 p.m.--Kick-off meeting for a new Norway-Bethel Area chapter of Trout Unlimited, in Room E118 at Oxford Hills High School (use main entrance, first room on left). Anglers of all ages welcome. Bring new ideas, suggestions, and questions. Information: call Lee at 743-9808 (evenings).

CWA Night at West Paris Grange. 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.

Friday, April 17, 5 to 9 p.m.--Open House at new Newry Post Office, Sunday River Road, Newry. Refreshments and door prize. Free goodies. Open to the public.

Saturday, April 18, 10:30 a.m.--Oxford County Retired Teachers Association meeting at South Paris Congregational Church. Sheriff Lloyd "Skip" Herrick will relate changes and innovations in the Oxford County jail system. Bake sale. For more information, please call Marguerite Johnson (743-6503), Helene Decker (539-2552) or Emogene Staples (539-4748).

White Mountain National Forest invites all community members to join in celebrating Earth Day at the Evans Notice Visitor Center, Route 2, Bethel, beginning at 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nature walk, recycling lessons, etc. Most activities will be outside, so dress appropriately. Free and open to public. Call 824-2134 for more information.

Sunday, April 19, 1 p.m.--Finnish-American Society of Maine will hold its member potluck meeting at the Heritage Center in West Paris. Material for the new society costume skirts is in.

All of Oxford Pomona 2 Grange Go to Church Sunday, 9 a.m., West Paris Baptist Church; 11 a.m. at West Paris Congregational Church, followed by potluck luncheon at Bertha Benoit's home.

Monday, April 20, Youth and Juniors Night at Franklin Grange 124, Bryant Pond.

Tuesday, April 21, 11:30 a.m.--Christian Women United meeting at Country Way Restaurant, South Paris. Speaker will be Shirley Grace of Harrison. Call Leora Whitney (743-7221) or Pearl Anderson (743-5724) for reservations.

Thursday, April 23, 7 p.m.--Bethel Area Poets Society reading at Cafe diCocca, Main Street, Bethel. This is National Poetry Month so bring in your best and most current poems and short stories to read. Poets, poetry lovers and prose writers invited and no one is required to read. The Cafe will be closed, so don't plan on eating. For more information, contact Rookie Graham at 824-3427.

Saturday, April 25, 5 and 6 p.m. (2 seatings)--Annual Birthday Supper at C.E.B. of First Congregational Church, Andover. Menu: baked ham with raisin sauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, rolls, cake (\$6 for adults, \$3 for children under 12). For information call 392-1282.

Spring Fling Dance, sponsored by the Ellis River Riders Horse Club of Andover, at the Rumford American Legion Hall. Classic rock and great dance tunes by Stix N Stonz band. Admission: \$8 for singles or \$15 for couples; tickets must be purchased in advance from Port to Port Imports on Congress Street, Rumford, or at All Season's Cafe in Andover. For more information, call 364-3740 or 392-2381.

Wednesday, April 29, 7 p.m.--28-voice choir of Christian young men and women will present Gospel message in traditional spirit at Woodstock Elementary School. Everyone invited.

Thursday, April 30, 7 p.m.--Cynthia Reedy will lead discussion on diaries and letters of historical and literary figures and writings of ordinary individuals, sponsored by Friends of the Norway Memorial Library at the library. Discussion and refreshments will follow this two-part program.

Friday, May 1--Annual Chamber Awards Dinner at Bethel Inn & Country Club. Social hour at 6 p.m. in Gibson Room and dinner at 7 p.m. Call 824-2282 for reservations (\$25 per person).

May 1-3--Western Mountain Men gathering at Maine Conservation School, Bryant Pond. For information and free brochure, write Western Mountain Men, P.O. Box 269, Farmington, ME 04938, or call 778-6550.

Saturday, May 2--Craft, White Elephant, Food Sale at West Paris Grange, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cookie Walk and luncheon.

Friends of Norway Library "Fun" Run/Walk, 10 a.m., to benefit the library's building fund. Begin and end at the library. Sponsor sheets available at the library. Pledges due on day of Run/Walk. Refreshments. For more information, call the library (743-5309).

Saturday, May 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Sunday, May 3, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.--Annual Craft Fair sponsored by Friends of Etrol Public Library at Etrol Town Hall, Main Street, Etrol, N.H. For information call 603-482-3837 or 603-482-7720.

Monday, May 4, 7:30 p.m. Franklin Grange 124, Bryant Pond, Inspection and Mothers' Day Program.

Tuesday, May 5, Oxford Pomona Grange 2 Community Service Night, 6:30 supper and 7:30 meeting, at Bear Mountain Grange Hall, South Waterford.

Thursday, May 7, 7 p.m.--Second evening at Norway Memorial Library will be opportunity to share diaries (readers' own or their ancestors). Interested readers should select a passage of approximately 500 words. For information, call the library at 743-5309.

West Paris Grange 298 Inspection and Deaf Awareness Program, 7:30 p.m.

Reach

Rape Ed. and Crisis Hotline 1-800-622-2365. Sexual abuse helpline, 743-9777. Past or present victims of abuse.

Exchanges

District Exchange--Open every Monday 1-4 p.m., Thursday, 4-6 p.m. and every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ethel-Bisbee School, Bethel. Clothing on sale, food available for those in need.

Community Service Center--Supplies available for emergencies and disaster relief at Thurlow Hall, Perkins Valley Road, South Woodstock. For aid or information call 674-2663.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Story hour for preschoolers, Thursdays, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-5 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through May). Michelle Conroy, Librarian.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tues., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wed., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fri., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hamilin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.

Abused Women's Advocacy Project

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Veterans' Services

(State/VA Benefits)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

Church Services

Bethel

West Parish Congregational--Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene--Rev. John Grant, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service.

Our Lady of the Snows--Rev. Lawrence Conley, Mass--Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

Bethel Alliance Church--Rev. Richard Mowery, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening service.

United Methodist--Rev. Henry S. Nickerson, Pastor, 10 a.m. Sunday worship. Nursery care provided.

West Bethel Union--Rev. Joyce Scott, 9 a.m. worship and church school.

Pleasant Valley Bible--Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship.

Episcopal House Church--at Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street, 4 p.m., third Sunday of the month. 824-2913.

Church of Christ--at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday. Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist--Rev. Linwood Hanson, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening service.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist--Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday, 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Unitarian Universalist--Sunday worship service, 9 a.m., second and fourth Sunday of each month.

Andover

First Congregational Church--Pastor Jane Rich, 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m. beginning Oct. 21.

Calvary Congregational Church--Winter hours: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., worship service 10:45 a.m., fellowship brunch following. Wed. nights, Bible study and prayer meeting, 6:45 p.m. Rev. Duane Waite.

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union--Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

East Stoneham

East Stoneham Congregational--Rev. Janice Wilcox, 10 a.m. worship in February, April, June, August, October and December. 9 a.m. church school (Oct.-June).

Newry

Newry Community Church--Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor.

Albany

Congregational Church - Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship, April 5 -- Dec. 6. Pastor Eddie Gannon.

Rumford Point

Rumford Point Church--Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Rev. Deborah Jenks.

Seasonal only:

Every Saturday: Bethel Farmers' Market, Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Locally grown produce and local goods.

Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (9 Stevens St.)--Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church--Route 117N, S. Paris, 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10:15 a.m. worship followed by coffee fellowship. Summer service 9 a.m.

West Paris Baptist--Pastor Gordon DeHaas, Sunday worship 9 a.m., 6:45 p.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

North Paris Baptist--Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)--Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information.

Monthly Meetings

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

First Monday: V.F.W., Lions' Hall, Bethel, 7 p.m. 824-2587.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Vegetarian Eating Group meets at Cafe DiCocca in Bethel from 5-7 p.m. Everyone welcome. For more info call 824-JAVA.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Bryant Pond, JR Grange Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 665-2460.

Fibromyalgia Syndrome- Chronic Fatigue Syndrome meeting, Bethel Family Health Center, 7 p.m. For info, call 824-3232.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for meeting place.

The Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Bethel Airport Authority, 7 p.m. Call town office for meeting place in Feb. and March.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church.

Grief group (for the loss of a loved one) meets from 6-8 p.m. in the conference room of the Bethel Family Health Center.

First Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Windy Valley Snowmobile Club meets at Newry Town Office, 7 p.m.

First and Third Tuesday: Woodstock Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 5 p.m.

The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMI-CAN) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Lions Den on Main Street at 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.

Telstar Alumni Association meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Telstar Library.

Second and Fourth Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Greenwood Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

Cross-Country Quilters meet at the Bethel Library from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

First Wednesday: Purity Chapter 102, OES, 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.

Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7:30 p.m.

Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon.

Western Maine Foothills Toastmasters, 6:30 p.m., Dirigo High School, Dixfield. Call 562-4931 for info.

Second Wednesday: CPS/PTA meets from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Babysitting provided.

First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Fourth Wednesday: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, H.F. Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 928-2611.

Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m.

Every Wednesday: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Thursday: United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House, 7:30 p.m.

Second Thursday: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at Crescent Park School conference room, 7:30 a.m.

Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.

First and Third Thursday: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Fourth Thursday: Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7 to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info.

Every Thursday: Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m. at 28 S. Main St. (Next meeting Jan. 8 at 7:30 p.m.)

West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 6:30 p.m.

Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.

Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

First Saturday: Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station.

Second Saturday: Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public.

Last Saturday: Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at the Town Office.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen office or mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444. The deadline is Monday noon.



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THURSDAY EVENING

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(3)	Seinfeld	Fraser	Lo
(32)	Wall to Wall		Re
(8)	Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Fr
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Fu
(10)	News-Lehrer		Me
(22)	Sportsctr.	NHL Hockey: Te	
(34)	Dallas		CH
(18)	Fraser	Ent. Tonight	Pr
(41)	Celtics	Sports	Bo
(15)	Movie: "Independence Day"		C
(17)	Movie: "Susie Q"		
(18)	"Summer Rental"	Cont'd	Mc
(20)	Front Row	Xtreme	Me
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Un
(5)	Griffith	Griffith	W
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	All
(25)	Movie: "The Plainsman"		Cont
(26)	Highlander: The Series		W
(27)	Law & Order		Bl
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Coach	SN
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	W

FRIDAY EVENING

	7:00	7:30	
(3)	Seinfeld	Fraser	Se
(32)	'70s Celebration: Beat		Re
6	Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Ph
8	Minor League Baseball: Baseball		
10	News-Lehrer		W
(22)	Sportsctr.	Sportslight	NF
(34)	Dallas		Au
13	Fraser	Ent. Tonight	Ki
(41)	NBA Basketball: Cleveland C		
(15)	"The Bad News Bears"		
(17)	Movie: "First Kid"		
(18)	"Chain Reaction" Cont'd		
(20)	Front Row	Spts. Wk.	Bo
(44)	Intimate Portrait		
(5)	Griffith	Griffith	Gr
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	All
(25)	Movie: "The Thief of Bagdad"		
(26)	Highlander: The Series		
(27)	Law & Order		Bl
(12)	Major League Baseball: Chicago		
(39)	Movievine	Crossfire	

BETHEL CITIZEN TV LISTINGS

2 C-SPAN	6 WCSH, NBC Portland	11 WWOR- NY	16 Encore	21 STARZ	26 USA Network	31 Sci-Fi	36 Country Music TV (CMT)	41 Sports Channel
3 WSBK-TV 38, Boston	7 Sunday River Ski TV	12 WBN - Chicago	17 The Disney Channel*	22 ESPN	27 Arts & Entertainment (A&E)	32 FAM	37 Discovery Channel	42 TLC
4 Channel IV, Bethel	8 WMTW, ABC, Auburn	13 WGME, CBS, Portland	18 Cinemax*	23 Financial	28 QVC Home Shopping	33 CNN Headline News	38 MTV Music Television	43 Weather
5 TBS	9 WPXT, FOX, Portland	14 SHOWTIME	19 FLIX	24 Nickelodeon	29 History	34 TNN	39 Cable News Network (CNN)	44 Lifetime
	10 WCCB, PBS, Lewiston	15 HBO*	20 NESN*	25 American Movie Classics (AMC)	30 Inspirational Network	35 Video Hits - 1 (VH-1)	40 TNT	* Premium Channels

THURSDAY EVENING APRIL 16, 1998

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Seinfeld	Frasier	Love Boat-Next	Totally Ridiculous!	News	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Real TV			
(32) Waltons		Rescue 911	Movie: "Goddess of Love"				700 Club			
(6) Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Friends	Just Shoot	Seinfeld	Veronica's	ER	News			
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Funniest Home Videos	Movie: "Tremors II: Aftershocks"				News			
(10) News-Lehrer	Maine.	MadeinMe	Mystery!	Voices of the Children	Dad's Army	Red Green				
(22) Sportsctr.	NHL Hockey: Teams to Be Announced						Baseball	Sportscenter		
(34) Dallas		Championship Rodeo	Prime Time Country	Today's Country	Dallas					
(13) Frasier	Ent. Tonight	Promised Land	Diagnosis Murder	48 Hours	News					
(41) Celtics	Sports	Boxing: Ireland vs. United States	Goin' Deep	NBA Action	Celtics					
(15) Movie: "Independence Day" Cont'd			Movie: "Operation Delta Force II: Mayday"				Taxicab Confessions			
(17) Movie: "Susie Q"			Movie: "Teen Witch"	Growing	Growing	Monsters of the Deep				
(18) "Summer Rental" Cont'd		Movie: "The Fog"	Eraser	Movie: "Ringer"						
(20) Front Row	Xtreme	Major League Baseball: Seattle Mariners at Minnesota Twins					FOX Sports News			
(44) Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Donor"				Attitudes	Golden		
(5) Griffith	Griffith	WCW Thunder	WCW Thunder	Movie: "Stone Cold"						
(24) Doug	Rugrats	All That	Bewitched	WonderYr	WonderYr	HappyDay	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	
(25) Movie: "The Plainsman" Cont'd			Movie: "Battle Cry"				"What a Way to Go!"			
(26) Highlander: The Series	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom"					Stalkings			
(27) Law & Order		Biography		Unexplained			Law & Order			
(12) Fam. Mat.	Coach	Smart Guy	Sister, Sis.	Wayans	Harvey	News	Beverly Hills, 90210			
(39) Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today	Larry King Live	World Today			Sports Illus.	Moneyline		

FRIDAY EVENING APRIL 17, 1998

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Seinfeld	Frasier	Search for Justice	Star Trek: Voyager	News	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Real TV			
(32) '70s Celebration: Beat		Rescue 911	Diagnosis Murder	Hawaii Five-0	700 Club					
(6) Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Players	Dateline	Homicide: Life	News					
(8) Minor League Baseball: Reading at Portland			Sabrina	Boy-World	20/20	News				
(10) News-Lehrer		Wash. Wk.	Wall St.	Keeping Up	Brittas	Is It Legal?	Perrin	Dad's Army	Red Green	
(22) Sportsctr.	Sportslight	NFL Great	Major League Soccer: MetroStars at Fire				Baseball	Sportscenter		
(34) Dallas		Auto Racing: Monster Truck Challenge V					Dallas			
(13) Frasier	Ent. Tonight	Kids Say	Candid C.	Unsolved Mysteries	Nash Bridges	News				
(41) NBA Basketball: Cleveland Cavaliers at Boston Celtics				NBA Action	Boxing: Ireland vs. United States					
(15) "The Bad News Bears"		Movie: "Black Sheep"		Movie: "The Sender"					Midnight	
(17) Movie: "First Kid"			Movie: "Blank Check"				Goofy	Walt Disney Presents		
(18) "Chain Reaction" Cont'd		Movie: "Dream for an Insomniac"	Fathers'	Movie: "Meet Wally Sparks"						
(20) Front Row	Spis. Wk.	Boxing: Fight Time					FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News		
(44) Intimate Portrait		Mysteries	Movie: "The Silence of the Lambs"				Attitudes	Golden		
(5) Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Major League Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Colorado Rockies						
(24) Doug	Rugrats	All That	Bewitched	WonderYr	WonderYr	HappyDay	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	
(25) Movie: "The Thief of Bagdad" Cont'd			Movie: "Love Is a Many Splendored Thing"				Movie: "Tarzan and His Mate"			
(26) Highlander: The Series	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade"					"Mobsters"			
(27) Law & Order		Biography	America's Castles	20th Century			Law & Order			
(12) Major League Baseball: Chicago White Sox at Toronto Blue Jays							News	Beverly Hills, 90210		
(39) Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today	Larry King Live	World Today			Sports Illus.	Moneyline		

SATURDAY EVENING APRIL 18, 1998

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) NBA Basketball: Celtics at Wizards		Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	News	Cheers	Star Trek: Voyager			
(32) Movie: "Six Pack" Cont'd			Movie: "Diagnosis Murder: The Last Laugh"				Diagnosis Murder			
(6) Mad-You	Seinfeld	NBA Show	NBA Basketball: New York Knicks at Chicago Bulls				News	Sat. Night		
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Since You've Been Gone"		Peter Jennings	News	Psi Factor				
(10) MadeinMe	True North	Anyplace	RFD Maine	Surviving the Bottom Line			Austin City Limits			
(22) Sportsctr.	NHL Hockey: Teams to Be Announced						Baseball	Sportscenter.		
(34) Week-Country		Opry	Grand Opry				Country Music Preview	Opry	Grand Opry	
(13) Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Medicine Woman	Early Edition				Walker, Texas Ranger	News		
(41) Turner Cup Playoffs: First Round Game 1 -- Teams to Be Announced					Ski	Snowbrd.	Pennant	Celtics		
(15) From the Earth		Movie: "Breakdown"		Boxing: Hamed vs. Vazquez			Movie: "Primal Fear"			
(17) Movie: "Jungle 2 Jungle"			Movie: "Three Amigos!"				Growing	Walt Disney Presents		
(18) "Honkytonk Man" Cont'd		Movie: "Damien: Omen II"					Movie: "Past Perfect"			
(20) Major League Baseball: Indians at Red Sox				Skiing Magazine on TV			FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News		
(44) The Silence of the Lambs		Movie: "In a Child's Name"								
(5) WCW Saturday Night		Movie: "Any Which Way You Can"					Movie: "City Heat"			
(24) Doug	Beavers	Rugrats	All That	Kenan-Kel	Strange	WonderYr	WonderYr	HappyDay	HappyDay	
(25) Friendly		Movie: "Saskatchewan"		Movie: "The Land That Time Forgot"			Movie: "My Gelsia"			
(26) Movie: "Darkman" Cont'd		Movie: "Pet Sematary"					Movie: "Pet Sematary Two"			
(27) Mysteries of the Bible		Biography This Week		Investigative Reports			Movie: "Just Between Friends"			
(12) Fam. Mat.	Riches	7th Heaven		7th Heaven			News	Coach	Enemy	
(39) Capital	Sports Illus.	World	Business	Larry King Weekend			World	Capital	CNN/Sports Illustrated	

SUNDAY EVENING APRIL 19, 1998

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Seinfeld	Mad-You	Love Boat-Next	Wild Things		News	Cheers	Viper			
(32) Movie: "Heartwood"			Movie: "Columbo Cries Wolf"				Hawaii Five-0			
(6) Dateline		Dateline	Movie: "Brave New World"				News	Outer Limits		
(8) Movie: "My Date With the President's Daughter"			Movie: "Mind Games"				News	Paired Prog.		
(10) National Geographic		Nature	People's Century				Mystery!			
(22) Sportsctr.	Baseball	Major League Baseball: Florida Marlins at Arizona Diamondbacks					Sportscenter			
(34) Outdoor	Bassmaster	In-Fish	Bill Dance	Championship Rodeo	Fishing	Fishin'	NASCAR	ClassicCar		
(13) 60 Minutes		Touched by an Angel	Movie: "The Echo of Thunder"				News			
(41) Clemente		International Soccer: Teams to Be Announced					Skiing Magazine on TV	Baseball	NBA Action	
(15) "Independence Day"		From the Earth	From the Earth				Sanders	Movie: "Volcano"		
(17) Going Wild!	Omba	Timon	Aladdin	Walt Disney Presents			Movie: "The Gröme-Mobile"			
(18) To Gillian-37th		Movie: "What's Eating Gilbert Grape"					Movie: "Thinner"		Silver Bullet	
(20) NFL Europe Football: Rhein Fire at Scottish Claymores							FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News		
(44) Movie: "Major Crimes" Cont'd							Dazzled	Barbara W.	Barbara W.	
(5) National Geographic Explorer				Wild Life Adventures			TOPX	National Geo.		
(24) My Brother	All That	Shelby Woo	Nick News	Bewitched	Bewitched	Rhoda	Rhoda	Van Dyke	Van Dyke	
(25) O-Day-June	Screen	Movie: "An Affair to Remember"					Movie: "Robin and the Seven Hoods"			
(26) Indiana Jones		Pacific Blue		Silk Stalkings			La Femme Nikita	Big Easy		
(27) Ancient Mysteries		Las Vegas: Gamble in the Desert					Las Vegas: House of Cards			
(12) Nick Freno	Parent	Sister, Sis.	Jamie Foxx	Unhappily	You're One		News	Replay	Coach	Nightman
(39) World	Sports Illus.	Perspectives		World Today			Impact		Sports Illus.	NBA Wk.

MONDAY EVENING APRIL 20, 1998

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Seinfeld	Frasier	Love Boat-Next	Unbelievable		News	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Real TV		
(32) Waltons		Rescue 911	Diagnosis Murder	Hawaii Five-0	700 Club					
(6) Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Suddenly	HouseRul	Caroline	Just Shoot	Dateline	News			
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Push		20/20		Practice	News			
(10) News-Lehrer		Antiques Roadshow	People's Century				Dad's Army	Red Green		
(22) Sportsctr.	Up Close Special		Replay: The History of the NFL on TV				Baseball	Sportscenter		
(34) Dallas		Today's Country	Prime Time Country	Monday Night Concerts	Dallas					
(13) Frasier	Ent. Tonight	Cosby	Raymond	The Closer	Murphy	Brooklyn South	News			
(41) Sportswriters on TV		Tennis: Nuveen Masters - Semifinal				Clemente	Sports	Pro Sports		
(15) "Jingle All the Way"		Movie: "Sleepers"					Movie: "Alive"			
(17) Movie: "That Dam Cat"			FamusFrd	Movie: "Pee-wee's Big Adventure"	Growing	Movie: "Johnny Shiloh"				
(18) "I'm Not Rappaport"		Movie: "Serpico"				Movie: "Silent Trigger"				
(20) Minor League Baseball: Rochester at Pawtucket			Goin' Deep				FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News		
(44) Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Switching Parents"				Attitudes	Golden		
(5) Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Major League Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Colorado Rockies						
(24) Doug	Rugrats	Hay Arnold!	Bewitched	WonderYr	WonderYr	HappyDay	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	
(25) Movie: "But Not for Me" Cont'd			Movie: "Day of the Bad Man"				Movie: "The Razor's Edge"			
(26) Highlander: The Series	Walker, Texas Ranger	World Wrestling	WWF War Zone				La Femme Nikita			
(27) Law & Order		Biography	Poirot	Sherlock Holmes			Law & Order			
(12) Fam. Mat.	Coach	7th Heaven	Kelly Kelly	Alright	News		Beverly Hills, 90210			
(39) Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today	Larry King Live	Impact			Sports Illus.	Moneyline		

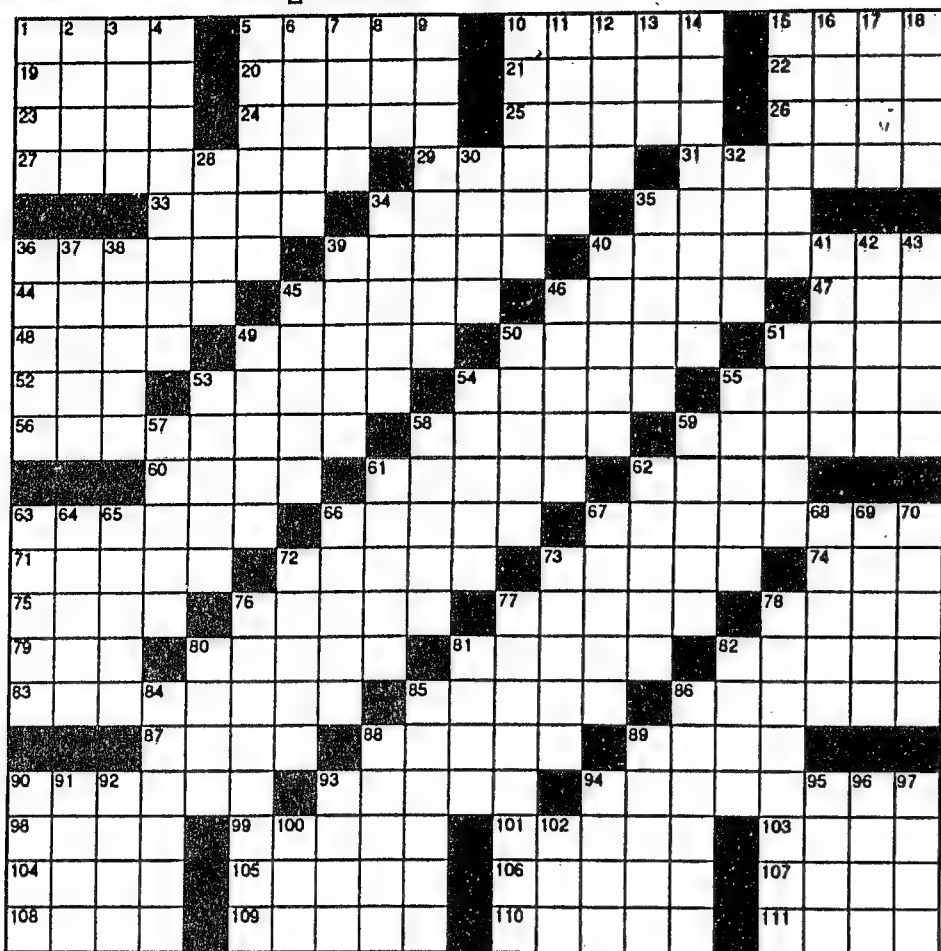
TUESDAY EVENING APRIL 21, 1998

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Seinfeld	Frasier	Moosha	Clueless	Malcolm	Good News	News	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Real TV	
(32) Houdini: His Secrets		Rescue 911		Diagnosis Murder	Hawaii Five-0	700 Club				
(6) Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Mad-You	For-Love	Frasier	Dateline		Dateline	News		
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Home Imp.	Soul Man	Home Imp.	Something	NYPD Blue	News			
(10) News-Lehrer		Nova	People's Century				Dad's Army	Red Green		
(22) Sportsctr.	Figure Skating: World Championships -- Men's and Ladies						Baseball	Sportscenter		
(34) Dallas		Country Music Preview	Prime Time Country			George Jones	Dallas			
(13) Frasier	Ent. Tonight	JAG		Public Eye	48 Hours	News				
(41) Golf	Pro Sports	Goin' Deep		This Week in NASCAR	Golf: Dan Marino Classic -- First Round					
(15) Movie: "Born Yesterday" Cont'd			Movie: "Breakdown"				From the Earth	"2 Days in the Valley"		
(17) Swan Princess: Escape		Movie: "The Return of Jafar"		Movie: "Wild Hearts Can't Be Broken"	Movie: "Johnny Shiloh"					
(18) "Dominick and Eugene"		Close Encounters -- Special Ed.			Movie: "The Beautician and the Beast"					
(20) Major League Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Detroit Tigers							FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News		
(44) Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Sparks: The Price of Passion"				Attitudes	Team Chalk		
(5) Griffith	Griffith	Movie: "My Cousin Vinny"					Movie: "Smokey and the Bandit"			
(24) Doug	Rugrats	Alex Mack	Bewitched	WonderYr	WonderYr	HappyDay	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	
(25) "The Black Swan" Cont'd		Movie: "Magnificent Obsession"					Movie: "Frank Capra's American Dream"			
(26) Highlander: The Series	Walker, Texas Ranger	Boxing: Steve Panell vs. Hasim Rahman					Silk Stalkings			
(27) Law & Order		Biography	Silent Witness				Law & Order			
(12) Fam. Mat.	Coach	Buffy the Vampire Slayer	Dawson's Creek			News	Beverly Hills, 90210			
(39) Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today	Larry King Live	World Today			Sports Illus.	Moneyline		

WEDNESDAY EVENING APRIL 22, 1998

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Sentinel		Star Trek: Voyager		News	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Real TV
(32)	Waltons		Rescue 911		Diagnosis Murder		Hawaii Five-0		700 Club	
6	Home Imp.	Seinfeld	Mad-You	Seinfeld	3rd Rock From the Sun		Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Spin City	Dharma	Drew Carey	Two Guys	Primetime Live		News	
10	News-Lehrer		Live From Lincoln Center					Warsaw	Dad's Army	Red Green
(22)	Sportsctr.	Major League Baseball: Teams to Be Announced					Major League Baseball: Teams TBA			
(34)	Country Music Preview	Championship Rodeo			Championship Rodeo		City of Hope Challenge		Dallas	
13	Frasier	Ent. Tonight	Academy of Country Music Awards						News	
(41)	This Week in NASCAR		Cycle World		Cycle World		Sportswriters on TV		This Week in NASCAR	
(15)	"The Enemy Within"		Movie: "The Saint"				From the Earth		"Round Midnight"	
(17)	"Ferngully... the Last Rainforest"			Movie: "How the West Was Fun"			Earth Day Dis.		Walt Disney Presents	
(18)	"Fly Away Home" Cont'd		Movie: "Marathon Man"				Movie: "Booty Call"			Anna K.
(20)	Major League Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Detroit Tigers						FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: "Children of the Dark"				Attitudes	Dazzled
(5)	Griffith	Griffith	WCW Thunder		WCW Thunder		Movie: "Another 48 HRS."			
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	Hey Arnold!	Bewitched	WonderYr	WonderYr	HappyDay	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi
(25)	"The Kid From Texas"		Movie: "The Omega Man"				WENN	Movie: "The FBI Story"		
(26)	Highlander: The Series		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "A Wing and a Prayer"			Silk Stalkings		
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		American Justice		Target: Mafia		Law & Order	
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Coach	Smart Guy	Smart Guy	Wayans	Harvey	News	Beverly Hills, 90210		
(39)	Monsterville	Crossfire	World Today		Larry King Live		World Today	Sports Illustrated		Monsterville

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- 1 Tito, before he got famous
- 5 Stoppage
- 10 Go out on a limb?
- 15 Israeli diplomat
- 19 Trademark design
- 20 Similar
- 21 Nobel Prize
- 22 Part of TLC
- 23 European capital
- 24 Trio of trios
- 25 High-tech missile
- 26 Jocular Jay
- 27 Hit for Chubby Checker
- 29 Party hearty
- 31 Wonder Woman, for one
- 33 Without
- 34 Bacon or Rabbit
- 35 Bait man?
- 36 Anchored
- 39 Texas river
- 40 '60s jewelry
- 44 Dark
- 45 Deals with a donut
- 46 Tea type
- 47 Never, in Nuremberg
- 48 Barnyard butter?
- 49 Pride of lions?
- 50 See 7 Down
- 51 Yemeni seaport
- 52 Gore and Yankovic
- 53 Flick
- 54 Bridge expert
- 55 Choose
- 56 '80s entertainment fad
- 58 Erroneous
- 59 Pops a pec
- 60 Midwest college town
- 61 Defer
- 62 It's really tacky
- 63 Unctuous
- 66 Newspaper type
- 67 '90s communication fad
- 71 Take inventory
- 72 Rossini's "Le Orfeo"
- 73 Considerably
- 74 Actor
- 75 "Rigoletto" rendition
- 76 Abandons
- 77 Composer
- 78 Track sound
- 79 Spare part?
- 80 What the nose knows
- 81 Church

DOWN

- 2 Juan — de Leon
- 3 '50s auto fad
- 4 Breakers
- 6 At — for words
- 7 With 50 Across, bourbon cocktail
- 8 Luau
- 9 70s fun fad
- 10 Vexes
- 11 Funny Fudd
- 12 Mideast bread?
- 13 Tal — (martial art)
- 14 '50s toy fad
- 15 Napoleon's cousin
- 16 Dylan
- 17 New Yorker cartoonist
- 18 Light material
- 20 Kermit's beauty spot?
- 21 Corporate
- 22 Rooney of "60 Minutes"
- 23 Put together
- 24 Richards of tennis
- 25 Symbol
- 26 It makes candy dandy
- 27 "Gay"
- 28 Bracoleet
- 29 Carthaginian
- 30 Free-for-all
- 31 Appendix's neighbor
- 32 Caroline, to Ethel
- 33 Fellows
- 34 Confederate president
- 35 Prize money
- 36 Ambled along
- 37 Like St. Nick
- 38 Old Testament character
- 39 Man of the cloth?
- 40 Building
- 41 Take the honey and run
- 42 Actress
- 43 — accomplishes (done deals)
- 44 "North Dallas" (1979 movie)
- 45 Buccaneers' headquarters
- 46 With meritment
- 47 Get cracking
- 48 Newswoman
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- 50 Cover story?
- 51 Condemns
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- 54 For the — (presently)
- 55 Computer
- 56 key
- 57 Beldam
- 58 Peace's partner
- 59 '50s theater fad
- 60 Lighting
- 61 '50s hair fad
- 62 Out of range
- 63 Zhivago's love
- 64 Butcher's offering
- 65 Anthropologist Louis
- 66 Diluted
- 67 "Scent of a Woman" star
- 68 Michael Jordan, for one
- 69 Interrupt
- 70 — carotene
- 71 Gray or Moran
- 72 Unrestrained
- 73 16-nation org.
- 74 Actress
- 75 Wynter
- 76 Exercise
- 77 Aftermath
- 78 Neighbor of Pakistan
- 79 Mythical mother of twins
- 80 Cambridge
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From the

Franklin Grange #124

Pastor Linwood Hanson was recently honored by the Grange for 35 years of dedicated service. He was born on Dec. 24, 1927, the son of Arthur and Doris Hanson of Bradford. His brother, John, who was one year older is now deceased (1991). His sister, Jane, three years younger, married Lloyd Rozelle, brother to Virginia, Linwood's wife.

The Hansons owned a farm in Bradford, where Linwood grew up. It truly was a "family farm." Linwood married Virginia Rozelle in 1950. She also had grown up on the farm in Bradford. Both Linwood and Virginia received Christ as Savior during their teen years, at the Baptist Church in Bradford. Ellen was saved as a little girl through the ministry of her parents.

Linwood graduated from New Brunswick Bible Institute in 1956. Virginia received her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maine at Orono and is a registered nurse. She also has successfully completed the Moody Bible Institute Scofield Correspondence Course. Their daughter, Ellen, graduated from New Brunswick Bible Institute in 1974.

Pastor Hanson was ordained by the Bryant Pond Baptist Church in 1968. He had been pastor at Gardiner Baptist Church from 1956 to 1968.

From that year to this, they have occupied the parsonage in Bryant Pond and pastored to the Baptist Church. As well as regular pastoral duties, the Hansons have served as committee members in the Child Evangelism Fellowship for many years. Ellen has worked in all aspects of the Child Evangelism Fellowship work here in Maine. Ellen has worked hard with the Sunday School and youth groups right along with her parents.

Virginia has worked diligently with Linwood these many years in the church Sunday School, youth groups and community.

Linwood plans to continue pulpit work and Channel IV work, possibly even interim pastor if the need arises. He has worked with the youth of the church and town all these many years.

From 1980 to 1993, there was a solid AWANA program in place with about 50 young people and many adults as workers. One of these young ladies is now in Japan, married to a fine young Christian man.

Linwood has been on the Woodstock Building Committee twice, chairman of Child Evangelism Fellowship twice, 1960 in Gardiner and 1966 in Bryant Pond. He edits all film for Channel IV TV and is the film director from the town of Woodstock for the channel. He also manages 200 to 300 visits per year to shut-ins and parishioners.

Asked for the highlights of his spiritual career, he replied, "The ordination as pastor," is one, and two is the year the church took in two very large families, baptized them all along with two or three other adults. Most of them have done well spiritually and one of them is with God now.

Congratulations, Linwood, Virginia and Ellen on all the good you have done for this community and its people.

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From the

Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

The Awards Committee of the Board of Directors is pleased to announce the recipients of this year's many coveted awards, which will be presented at the 29th Annual Chamber Awards Dinner, to be held on Friday, May 1, at the Bethel Inn and Country Club. Those wishing to attend should make their reservations by calling the chamber office (824-2282) no later than April 27. Prepayment is required at \$25 per person, which includes a full buffet dinner featuring carved steamship roast beef and baked chicken breast with walnut crust. Tables of eight or 10 are available for larger groups.

The Henry H. Hastings Award for Citizenship will be presented to Dewaine and Sarah Craig for their many years of tireless service to the community and to young people. Among other volunteer jobs, Dewaine has been an active member of the Bethel Rotary Club, serving as president and chairman of many committees in the Bethel club and district-wide. Sarah has devoted thousands of hours to the Telstar Booster Club, raising needed funds for many of the programs that the students enjoy.

The Lifetime Achievement Award is given this year to Hope Tibbetts of Bethel. Hope has done so much for people over the years including church committees, nursing home and shut-in visits, volunteer work during the ice storm, just to name a few of her activities. Hope is a much loved individual here in the Bethel area and it is a privilege to publicly recognize her many works.

A new award this year is the Woods Industry Award, and it will be presented to an individual who is truly a professional at what he does and is a tireless public servant. Bill Myers of Bryant Pond, formerly of Bethel, will be receiving this recognition. Many people know Bill for his nearly two decades of coaching here in Bethel. He is also an active member of the Masonic Lodge in Bethel, serves the Town of Bethel on the Recreation and Budget committees and is a member of the Riverside Cemetery Committee.

The 1998 Business of the Year Award is being presented to Maine Line Products, Rick and Ellen Whitney owners. Rick and Ellen have had a successful business on Main Street, Bethel, for a decade and a half and have also been growing a very busy wholesale business. They have, within the past year, purchased the Locke Mills Marketplace on Route 26 and have expanded their operations at that location, which offers them the space that their growing business needs.

As has become tradition, the chamber is pleased to recognize four individuals in the Employee of the Year categories. In the Ski Industry category, Chuck Donnelly of Sunday River Ski Resort is being presented this honor. Chuck works in the Group Sales department and has been instrumental in growing that segment of Sunday River's business. Most recently, Chuck has been introducing the resort and the Bethel Area to hundreds of British visitors.

Robert "Bob" Remington is being recognized as the Education Employee of the Year. Bob has worked at Telstar High School for more than 20 years and has been an incredible asset to the school. The students really love him, as he has the ability to be an effective teacher, a mentor and a friend to all. Bob has also devoted his after-school hours to young people as a soccer, nordic ski and baseball coach. He has touched literally thousands of lives through these activities and will be greatly missed in his imminent

retirement (although he plans to keep his finger in coaching).

In the Retail and Service category, Leslie Cooley, a longtime employee of Maine Line Products will be recognized. Owners Rick and Ellen Whitney, in their nomination, had high praise for Leslie's work ethic, her customer service attitude and her leadership abilities with the rest of the staff. In addition to her work abilities, Leslie is also active in the community and the church.

The fourth category is Hospitality. Charlie Sullivan, general manager of the Grand Summit Hotel, is being presented the Hospitality Employee of the Year. Charlie oversees an operation that has been a tremendous asset to Sunday River and the greater community. He has a large staff that serves thousands of visitors each year, and Charlie has done a great job.

Allen Connors, president of the chamber, will present a traditional "Volunteer of the Year" award to a tireless servant of our organization. We will also be recognizing our 1997 president, George Driscoll, for his leadership and vision during his year as the elected chairman of the Board of Directors.

Two student citizenship awards will be presented in addition to the Sue O'Donnell Memorial Taste of Bethel scholarship, given to a graduating Telstar senior who is pursuing a culinary arts degree.

Leslie B. Otten, chairman and CEO of the American Skiing Company, will be our guest speaker. Come join with us in the recognition of the worthy award recipients and in the celebration of the chamber's accomplishments during the past year.

The banquet is sponsored by Central Maine Power Co. and Northeast Bank.



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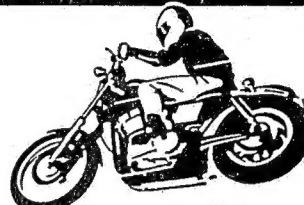
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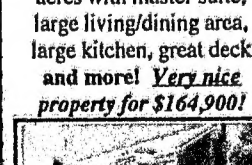
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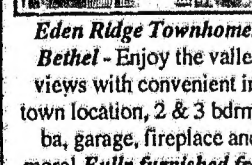
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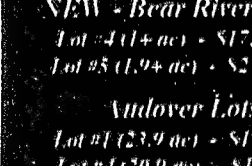
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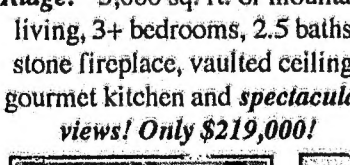
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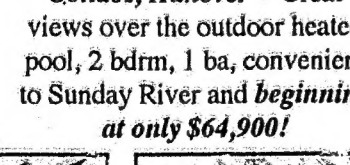
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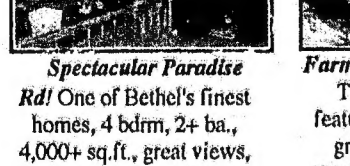
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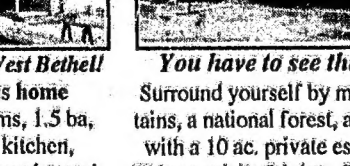
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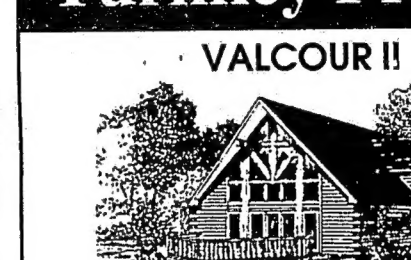
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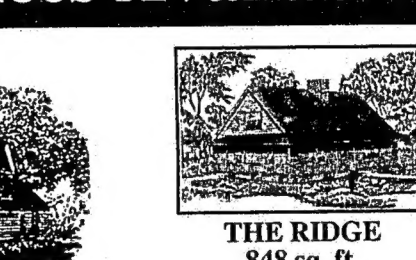
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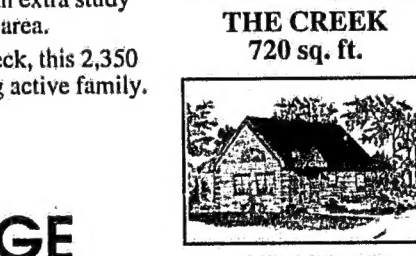
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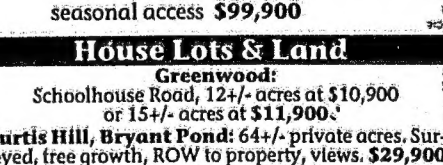
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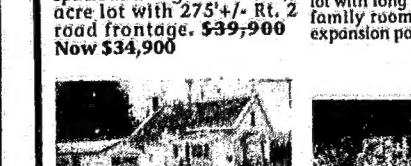
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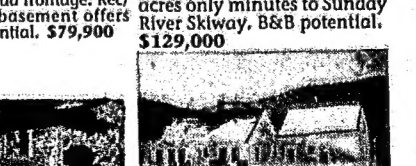
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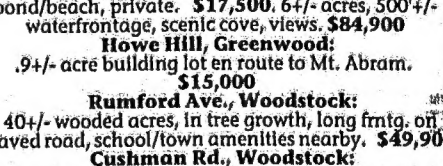
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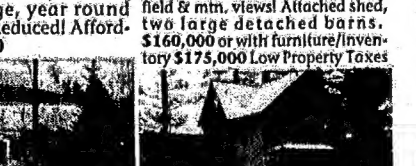
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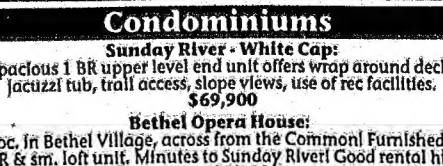
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Obituaries

CORA J. STARBIRD

Cora J. Starbird, 85, of South Paris, died Saturday, April 11, 1998, at the Market Square Health Care Center in South Paris.

She was born at Mason Township on March 19, 1912, the daughter of John A. and Ethel G. Judkins MacKenzie. She was educated in a one-room schoolhouse in Mason Township.

She worked many years at J.J. Newberry's in Norway and had worked for Smith's Shop 'n Save for over 20 years, retiring in 1992 at the age of 80. She had lived in the South Paris area most of her life.

She married Bertrand A. Starbird on Aug. 27, 1931. He died in March 1958.

Survivors include one daughter, Marion Turner of South Paris; one sister, Madelyn Barker of Norway; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by four brothers, Allen, William, Fred, and John Jr.; and four sisters, Cecelia, Ella, Elizabeth and Alice.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, April 14, at the Weston-Chandler Funeral Home, South

Paris, with interment in the Norway Pine Grove Cemetery, South Paris. Donations in Mrs. Starbird's memory may be sent to the Market Square Health Care Center, Activity Fund, South Paris, ME 04281.

ALMON F. HARMON JR.

Almon Frank Harmon Jr., 49, of Pioneer Street, West Paris, died Saturday, April 11, 1998, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway.

He was born in Bridgton on Nov. 30, 1948, the son of Almon and Hattie Hapgood Harmon. He was educated in Norway schools.

He had worked many years at C.B. Cummings & Son of Norway. He also enjoyed woodworking at his own woodworking shop.

Survivors include two daughters, Tracie Harmon of South Paris and Katrina Harmon of Norway; two sisters, Joyce Bean of Norway and Helena Westleigh of Alna; one aunt, Lucia Hawkins; one uncle, Eben Harmon. He was predeceased by his parents and a brother, David.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, April 17, at Elm Vale Cemetery in South Waterford. No visitation. Donations in Mr. Harmon's memory may be sent to the American Heart Association, Box 346, Augusta, ME 04330.

GWENDOLIN G. HOLT

Gwendolin Godwin Holt, 98, of Norway, formerly of Bethel and Wyoming, died early Monday evening, April 13, 1998, at the Norway Convalescent and Rehabilitation Center, after an extended illness.

Mrs. Holt was born in Bethel on March 12, 1900, the daughter of the late Carl W. and Han (Jewett) Godwin. She attended North Bethel and Bethel schools, graduating from Gould Academy in 1919. She then attended Farmington State Teachers College.

She married Ernest Holt on Oct. 13, 1935, who predeceased her in 1992.

A teacher by profession, Mrs. Holt was associated with the following schools during her career: North Paris, Rumford, Woodrowville, Upton, East Bethel, Andover and was principal of the Bethel Grammar School, as well as the Tower School, Lytle Creek School and Hulet Elementary School, all in Wyoming, from which she retired in 1967.

Upon returning to Maine after retirement, she became a substitute teacher for MSAD44 for many years, finally retiring again in the mid-1970s.

Mrs. Holt was a member of the Church of Latter Day Saints, attending both the Oxford and Rumford churches.

An active Grange member, she held membership in that organization for 84 years, being a member of Bear River Grange, Oxford Pomona, the State and National Granges. She held memberships in the Maine and Wyoming Teachers Associations and the Maine and Wyoming Retired Teachers, and AARP.

Mrs. Holt is survived by one daughter, Helen Dolloff of Hanover; one granddaughter; and several cousins.

Funeral services will be held at the Greenleaf Funeral Home, Bethel, on Friday, April 17, at 2 p.m. Interment will be at Hanover Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Mrs. Holt's memory may be made to Androscoggin Home Health, Strawberry Avenue, Lewiston, ME 04240, or a charity of choice.

Card of Thanks

Thanks to all my family and friends for all your thoughtfulness during my hospital stay and since I returned home. Thanks for all the prayers and now I'll ask that you continue the prayers as I enter the next phase of my treatment.

Marlene "Mo" Marshall

The Annual Meeting of the Bethel Water District

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Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Spearrin

Paula Cordwell and Reggie Spearrin were united in marriage Feb. 14, 1998, at West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel. The bride is the daughter of Katherine Gordon of Albany. The bridegroom is the son of Alice Atwood of Old Town.

The maid and matron of honor were Brandy Cordwell and Nancy Spearrin. Bridesmaids were Lisa Buckman, Melinda Manjourea, Rita Mathias and Yvonne Newell. Junior bridesmaid was Lacy J. Newell and flower girl, Distiny Long.

Best man was Charles Spearrin. Ushers were Chris Cordwell, Michael Gordon, Gene Spearrin, Billy Spearrin and Paul Pullen. Junior ushers were Harley Gordon and Terry Gordon. Ring bearer was Matt Gordon and train bearer was Kyle Gordon.

A reception was held at the Legion Hall in Locke Mills.

The bride, formerly of Bethel, owned and operated a licensed day care for 17 years.

The bridegroom, of Embden, has been in floor covering for 30 years and now owns and operates Somerset Flooring in Bingham with his wife Paula. The couple is now residing in Embden.

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Births

Tamara M. and Bryan Bennett of North Waterford are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Adreanna Nichole, born on April 13, 1998, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 15 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Judy A. Kilgore of North Waterford and Wesley A. Weymouth of Norway.

Paternal grandparents are Douglas and Judy Bennett of Bryant Pond.

Lynn Locke and Harold Clough Jr. of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Trivett Michael Clough, born on April 12, 1998, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 pounds, 2 ounces.

Maternal grandmother is Darlene Locke of Waterford.

Paternal grandparents are Bonnie Clough and Harold Clough Sr. of Bethel.

Trivett joins sister Sarannah Marie Clough, 10 1/2 months.

Rebecca and Randall Kangas of Norway are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Shelby Lynn, born on April 11, 1998, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 10 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Richard and Michelle Blake of West Paris.

Paternal grandparents are Richard and Louise Kangas of Bryant Pond.

Kara and M. Todd Cantwell of South Paris, are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Todd Johnny, born on April 9, 1998, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 10 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are George and Linda Young of Norway.

Paternal grandparents are Johnny and Alicia Cantwell of Freeport.

Nancy and David Stearns of Locke Mills are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Brendon Chadbourne Stearns, born on March 11, 1998, at Central Maine Medical Center, Lewiston.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Nancy Chadbourne of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Warren and Marcia Stearns of Hanover.

Brendon joins a brother, Justin, age 2.

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank all the people who sent cards and flowers and donations in memory of our step mother Marjorie Barker. We are so grateful to the wonderful caregivers who took care of her and made it possible for her to stay in her own home until she passed away. Our children and grandchildren were truly blessed to have had such a great grandmother and she will be greatly missed.

Brad and Judy Barker
and family.

Heartfelt Thanks

I will never be able to adequately thank everyone that has touched me since the recent loss of my home. I have received numerous donations of money, clothing and personal gifts. Your generosity has helped me meet my basic needs. Your hugs, words and cards of encouragement, continue to hold me up. I would like to send special thanks to those closest to me. The support and patience you have given me will forever remain in my heart.

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In the wake of the state's passage of a law restricting the use of jet skis on remote lakes, a local lakes association is expected to discuss to petition for restrictions on Bethel-area lakes.

The law, passed late in the Legislature session, bans jet skis on 245 waters in unorganized territories -- a procedure so municipalities can petition for restrictions on local ponds.

A town or towns on a water would have to agree specific restrictions before the state fish and wildlife commissioner.

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By ALISON ALOISIO

No one planning to build on a riverbank wants to find out how high the water will rise during a flood.

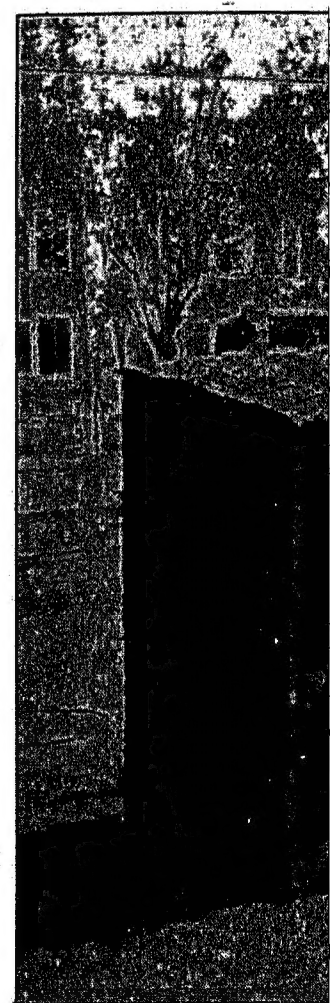
But figuring that out a time -- with only sketchy river floodplains available -- is exactly easy, either.

Now, help may be on the way. The Federal Emergency Management Agency received a more precise map of the Sunday River's floodplains.

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